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OFFICIAL NEWS OF THE WAR FROM CAPITALS

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

BERLIN, Wednesday—The following official communication was given out from army headquarters yesterday: In the western theater the English position near Hooze, which was captured by the Germans July 30, is, contrary to the report issued from the British headquarters, still entirely in German hands.

In the Champagne, west of Perthes and of Souain, after successful mine explosions, the Germans occupied the borders of the craters.

In the Argonne, northwest of Four-de-Paris, the German troops captured some of the French trenches, taking 80 prisoners. In a bayonet attack yesterday 4 officers, 163 men and 2 machine-guns were captured by the Germans.

In the Vosges, during the fighting on the night of Aug. 1-2, the Germans lost a small portion of a trench on Schatzmannelle, between Lingkopf and Barrenkopf.

A trench on Lingkopf, which had been completely destroyed on the night of Aug. 1-2, has not been reoccupied by the German troops.

A French captive balloon, torn from its anchorage during a storm, was caught by the Germans to the northwest of Etain.

In the eastern theater of the war, in the battles about Mitau, some 500 Russian prisoners have been captured.

East of Poniwiesch (35 miles southeast of Shavli) the Russians, who had been partially ejected from several of their positions, discontinued their resistance and retreated in an easterly direction.

German troops forced the road between Wobolniki and Subocz, taking 1250 prisoners and two machine-guns.

In the direction of Lomza the Germans gained ground and took some 3000 Russians.

Otherwise along the Narw front and before Warsaw, there have been only minor engagements, all of which have been favorable to the Germans.

In the southeastern war theater, German troops under the command of General Woytsch expanded their bridgehead position on the east bank of the Vistula, taking thereby 750 prisoners.

Austro-Hungarian troops under General von Koevess gained a decisive success on the west front of Ivangorod, capturing 2300 prisoners, and 32 cannon, among them 21 heavy pieces and two mortars.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's army met resistance yesterday on the line of Novo Alexandria, Lejzina and Zalin, to the north of Cholm. In the afternoon the Russian line was broken to the east of Lejzina (15 miles northeast of Lublin) and north of Cholm, whereupon during the night they began to evacuate their positions on the greater part of this front. Only at some points are they offering resistance.

East of Lejzina the Germans yesterday captured 2000 prisoners. Between the Bug and Cholm on Aug. 1 and Aug. 2, 1300 Russian prisoners were captured and several machine-guns.

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LONDON, Tuesday—A statement regarding operations at the Dardanelles just issued by the press says:

Gen. Ian Hamilton reports on Aug. 2 that on the right position held by the Australian and New Zealand corps a successful attack was carried out against a network of Turkish trenches, which was beginning to threaten the safety of an advanced post called "Tasmania post."

The attack consisted of a bombardment of neighboring works and the explosion of three mines under sections of a trench. These sections were occupied at once.

Another section was rushed with the bayonet. The Turks did not counter-attack. At least 70 Turks were killed in and around the works.

The result has been to gain the crest of the ridge, and it has materially improved the British position in that section of the line.

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PARIS, Wednesday—The following official communication was issued by the war office last night: There has been less activity on the part of the artillery along the whole front. In the Argonne a spirited struggle with petards and hand grenades continued throughout the day in the western section of the forest as far as the region of St. Hubert.

No modification of the front at any point has taken place. Before Vauquois the Germans exploded two mines, which caused no damage to the French troops. An active bombardment occurred in the forest of Apremont and in the Basse-Sept.

The afternoon report follows: In Artois, in the vicinity of Souchez, there was spirited fighting during a part of last night, in which hand grenades and bombs were largely used. On the plateau of Quenneviers and in the valley of the Aisne yesterday saw rather violent artillery exchanges. Soissons was again bombarded.

In the Argonne, in the sectors of St. Hubert, Marie Therese, Fontaine-aux-Charmes and at hill No. 214, the fighting continued throughout the night. The Germans endeavored to deliver several attacks, but were not successful.

At Eparges yesterday there was a rather severe bombardment. In the Vosges the Germans, yesterday evening, delivered one attack against the French positions on the River Linge and three attacks against the French positions on the Barrenkopf. All these violent attacks were repulsed.

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PETROGRAD, Wednesday—An official communication issued last evening says: Russian hydroplanes attacked near Windau a German gunboat and forced it to run ashore. The same hydroplanes attacked and forced to retreat a Zeppelin and two hydroplanes, one of which was brought down. In the direction of Riga the Russian troops withdrew beyond the river Eya.

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ROME, Wednesday—The following official statement from general headquarters of the Italian army, dated Tuesday, says:

In the valley of Cadorna the Italian masses batteries continue the work of demolishing the Austrian defenses.

In Carnia the Austrians on the first tried to take the offensive against the Medatta peak, conquered by the Italians on the 30th, and were repulsed with heavy losses.

On the second, profiting by the fog, the Austrians made a surprise attack on the Italian positions from Scarbitz to Monte Cristallo, which was also repulsed. The Italians have further details of the success obtained by their troops on the 30th at Forcella-Cianialot. The Austrians left over 100 on the field and the Italians picked up 200 rifles, quantities of ammunition and 20 prisoners. During the two following days the Austrian artillery posted in the suburb of Malborghetto, swept Forcello continually, occasionally using asphyxiating shells. The Italian artillery, however, succeeded in silencing them.

On the Carso plateau during the night of the 2d the Austrians renewed violent attacks against the Italian right wing in the zone of Monte Seibusi, preceding them with demonstrations on the opposite wing. All these efforts broke down against the steadfast resistance of the Italian troops.

During yesterday the Italian offensive continued to make appreciable progress toward the center. On the right wing the struggle to enlarge the Italian hold in the Monte Seibusi zone continued sharp and stubborn. The Italians made 345 prisoners, three of whom were officers.

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VIENNA, Wednesday—An official communication issued yesterday says: The Italian war theater—The coastal district from Krn to the bridgehead at Gorizia is almost completely quiet. The border plateau of Polazzo has been attacked by strong Italian forces five times. The Italians attacked the Austrian infantry who held positions east of the village and at Mone Seibusi. On each occasion, after heavy fighting, the attack was repulsed. The Austrians suffered great losses. Reinforcements brought up by the Austrians were surprised by the Austrian artillery and dispersed.

While this battle was raging other sections of the plateau were kept under strong fire by the artillery of the Italians.

On the Carinthian frontier the Italians under cover of a thick fog attempted an attack against Gellon Kofel, east of Ploeken, which completely failed; otherwise there is nothing new on this front.

In the district of Monte Cristallo one of the Austrian patrols met a strong Italian detachment, and in a short skirmish the Italians lost 29 men.

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PETROGRAD, Wednesday—An order of the day proposed by Count Bobrinsky in the name of the center group, October 1st and Nationalists, was adopted in the Duma expressing the unshakable and unanimous resolution of the empire to continue the struggle with their faithful allies until the final issue is attained and not to conclude peace before victory is complete.

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LONDON, Wednesday—The exportation of coal, including anthracite and steam, gas, household and all other kinds of coal and coke which is at present permitted to British possessions and protectorates and the allied countries, is by an order in council prohibited to all destinations abroad other than British possessions and protectorates.

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

LONDON, Wednesday—The wedding of Miss Katherine Alice Page, daughter of Ambassador and Mrs. Walter Hines Page of London and New York, and Charles Greely Loring of Boston takes place today at the Chapel Royal in St. James Palace.

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

TOKIO, Wednesday—The Emperor held a council yesterday at which Prince Yamagata and Oyama and the Marquis Matsukata were present. The political situation remains unchanged, although changes in the present cabinet will probably occur.



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Field Marshal von Hindenburg, leaving headquarters in Posen

ALDEN KINDRED AT PLYMOUTH FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Frank A. Woodward of S. A. R.
Pays Tribute to Indian Sachem
Samoset

PLYMOUTH, Mass.—For the first time in eight years the members of the Alden Kindred of America, Inc., gathered here today for their fifteenth annual reunion. The business meeting was held in the Memorial church. Special cars brought a large delegation from Boston. Vernon A. Field, president of the organization, presided.

Speakers at the gathering were Asa F. French, deputy governor-general of the Society of Mayflower Descendants and former United States district attorney for Massachusetts; Miss Caroline A. Huling, founder and past president of the Mid-West Chapter Alden Kindred of America, of Chicago; and Frank E. Woodward, president of the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. They all are members of the Alden family. The program also included readings by Mrs. Edith Porter and singing by a quartet. Election of new officers comes just before adjournment.

Dinner was served at the Samoset house, after which it was planned to visit Pilgrim hall, which has been greatly improved recently. In this hall are housed the Southampton memorial and the Alden tablet. Some of the delegates planned to visit the Pilgrim monument. Mr. Woodward, in his remarks, dwelt on the relationship between the Indian sachem Samoset with the Pilgrims in the early days of the Plymouth settlement. He pointed out the indebtedness the Pilgrims owed to "one of the noblest figures in aboriginal history."

"His chief claim to our gratitude," said Mr. Woodward, "rests upon the inestimable services which he rendered to the little colony who settled on yonder hill 300 years ago. Without his aid and that of his faithful ally, Tisquantum—whose name is still perpetuated by a neck of land in Quincy called Squantum—it is extremely doubtful if a permanent settlement at Plymouth by the Mayflower passengers would ever have been made."

"One bright morning in March, so the story goes, as the members of the little colony were about to assemble in Governor Carver's house to transact some business connected with their safety, they were astonished to see a solitary Indian coming down Leyden street. He advanced with a bold air and saluted them with the good old English greeting, 'Welcome.' This was the Indian Sachem Samoset."

"He soon returned to Pemaquid and shortly after sold a large portion of his domain to one John Brown. He then drops out of sight and is not heard from again. Mr. Sylvester says, 'His welcome is a matter of history, his farewell was whispered to the winds.'"

"When the world gets over its rush, the domain of this one of nature's noblemen will be fitly honored with a shaft to commemorate this prince of his race." George F. Washburn is chairman of the committee in charge of today's meeting.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE PRACTICE UPHELD

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)
BERLIN, Germany—Proceedings in the case against Fraulein Fricke and others, charged because of Christian Science practice, with manslaughter or involuntary homicide, brought up in the provincial court of justice of the Duchy of Brunswick (Brunswick), came to a close June 30 with a decision in favor of the accused. The state attorney had proposed four years imprisonment in the case of Fraulein Fricke, two years and one year respectively in the case of the codefendants, but the decision was to the effect that all the defendants were acquitted.

WARSAW SITUATION DISCUSSED IN DUMA

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau
PETROGRAD, Wednesday—General Polivanoff, war minister, stated in the Duma that as Germany was successfully enveloping the territory and military district of Warsaw, strategic contours which had always been a weak point in the western frontier, the Russians might, therefore, prepare to yield a portion of this region, falling back on positions where the army will prepare for the resumption of the offensive. Warsaw might perhaps be given up as Moscow was to insure final victory.

RUSSIAN FRIENDSHIP FOR RUMANIA GROWS

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau
LONDON, Wednesday—M. Sazonoff's speech in the Duma on Sunday, in which he specially referred to the friendly attitude of Rumania confirms the information which The Christian Science Monitor has received from a most reliable source that the position between the two countries is increasingly friendly.

BASE GAMES POSTPONED

The double-header scheduled to be played this afternoon between the Boston and Cleveland American league baseball teams was postponed shortly after noon.

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BRITISH NOTES FIRMLY ASSERT BLOCKADE RIGHT

Five Messages Made Public by
U. S. State Department Set
Forth Great Britain's Unyielding
Attitude to U. S. Protests

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON—In three notes delivered to the United States government within the past week and made public today, Great Britain defends her blockade of Germany and interference with neutral commerce as in conformity with international law. She invites the United States, in case of disagreement, to carry the case to the highest British court and if necessary to a court of arbitration.

The five notes made public today are as follows:

1. British reply to American blockade protest of March 30 defending the blockade as in accord with international law.

2. American note of July 15 protesting against British detention of American steamer Neches, bound from Rotterdam to the United States with part Belgian cargo.

3. British reply in Neches case defending the action legally and reminding the United States that Germany is sinking all kinds of ships in the same waters regardless of their cargoes.

4. American note of July 14 in form of a "caveat" notifying Great Britain that in prize court cases this government will stand on neutral rights under international law without impairment by British orders in council.

5. British reply to "caveat" contending that orders in council conform to international law but if United States government takes contrary view it can carry the case to highest British court or, if necessary, to an international court of arbitration.

As has been accurately forecast, the British contention is that the belligerent right to blockade an enemy's ports carries with it the right to make the blockade effective by stopping that enemy's commerce and the mere passage of that commerce through nearby neutral ports does not make it immune from interference. This contention is supported by reference to the position maintained by the United States in the civil war, when the North successfully held that goods could not legally be shipped from England to the Confederate states through the blockade, even though transhipped in the Bermudas or some other convenient neutral waters. Three civil war cases are called "akin" to those with which the Allies are now faced.

The British notes, in contrast to the German notes recently handed to this government, are strictly legal discussions; they treat the entire controversy as a judicial matter and scarcely touch upon the humanitarian or practical phases. They are addressed in plain language and apparently no attempt is made to soften them with diplomatic phraseology. Practically nothing is yielded to the American position and notice is given that the blockade will continue under present regulations with all possible consideration for legitimate neutral commerce, though in the Neches case and the "caveat" note the United States is told what recourse this government has.

The blockade is defended as a retaliation against Germany's methods of warfare, including the submarine war zone around the British Isles, the atrocities cited in Lord Bryce's report, the use of gases and the sinking of the Lusitania. The blockade note says that the British government are "unable to admit that a belligerent violates any fundamental principle of international law by applying a blockade in such a way as to cut off the enemy's commerce with foreign countries through neutral ports if the circumstances render such an application of the principles of blockade the only means of making it effective."

Great Britain contends that international law is the product of circumstances, and that old interpretations need not bind nations under modern conditions. "It is the business of writers on international law," says the note, "to formulate existing rules rather than to offer suggestions for their adaptation to altered circumstances."

The British government "have been gratified to observe" that their blockade measures "have had no detrimental effect."

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MAIL, NOT EXPRESS, TO CARRY MONEYS FOR GOVERNMENT

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON—Secretary McAdoo has issued an order that all public moneys and securities be transported by mail instead of by express. The order becomes effective Aug. 16, 1916, and will result in economy to the government and to the banks, the saving amounting to many thousands of dollars annually.

This new policy changes the practice of a quarter of a century, during which the government has paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to express companies for the transportation of moneys and securities between the treasury, sub-treasuries and banks. It has been accomplished by Secretary McAdoo with the hearty cooperation of Postmaster-General Burleson. For several months the secretary and postmaster-general have been making a thorough test of the feasibility of making all shipments by mail. These experiments demonstrated the great saving to be effected. The postoffice department is fully equipped to undertake the business successfully.

The moneys and securities will move by registered mail and will be insured. Those belonging to the government will be sent under frank and will have the benefit of free registration, the only expense to the government being the small cost for insurance. To handle this business the postoffice department will establish a branch postoffice in the Treasury building, occupying quarters which the government had formerly allowed the express companies to use.

WESTON'S NEW TOWN CENTER IS UNDER WAY

Road Marking Northerly Boundary of New Common to Be Completed Sept. 1 and Work on Town Hall to Be Started

Weston's new town center, planned by Arthur A. Shurtleff, landscape architect, in conjunction with a local committee, will be well under way on Sept. 1 with completion of the road which marks the northerly boundary of the new town common and the beginning of work on a new town hall.

Formerly the town of Weston had a small square near the old town hall. North of the square was a meadow which threatened to become an undesirable residential district. A new town hall was needed and it seemed folly to build it on the old inadequate site, so it was decided to purchase the meadow for a town common, drain it, grade it, and place a new town hall on its northerly margin, to be approached by a road from each side.

The project met with such favor in the town, that about 10 acres of land were purchased and a contract made for drainage. The plans for the town hall have been made by Bigelow & Wardsworth, architects. The lines will be colonial to harmonize with the public buildings which surround the common. The old town hall, grocery store, harness shop and carriage sheds adjoining it, are to be removed at once so that the common itself will be free of buildings of any kind.

Around the new common will be the picturesque Unitarian church and parish house.

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PRESIDENT CLOSE TO CONFERENCE DETAILS

WINDSOR, Vt. — President Wilson this afternoon will talk with Secretary of State Lansing by telephone, about details of the Mexican program to be presented to Latin-American countries. Word was received from Washington today of the acceptance by several South American diplomats of invitations to the conference on Mexico's future.

It was said at the "Summer White House" Tuesday night that arrangements for the preliminary conference of South and Central American diplomatic representatives regarding Mexican affairs were being handled directly by Mr. Lansing.

The President indicated that he will extend his vacation another week, instead of returning to Washington the last of this week, as he had planned. Guests arriving Tuesday were Mrs. Anna Howe, the President's sister; Mrs. Anna Cothran, a niece, and her daughter; and the President's nephew, Prof. George Howe of the University of North Carolina.

BRITISH MUNITION SUPPLY

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

LONDON, Wednesday—Sir Frederick Black, director of navy contracts, has been temporarily placed at the disposal of the minister of munitions and has been appointed director-general of the munitions supply.

FORMER GOVERNOR MANN COMING

Former Gov. William Hodges Mann of Virginia has accepted the invitation extended by Governor Walsh to be present at the governors' conference this month and will read a paper on the subject of "Governor's Initiative."

VARIED MEXICAN FACTIONS EAGER FOR U. S. FAVOR

Pressure Brought to Bear on Eve of Agreement as to Recognition Program by Representatives of Whole Hemisphere

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D. C. — As the end of the "watchful waiting" policy toward Mexico is indicated by the calling of a conference of six Latin-American diplomats to agree upon definite action, the various Mexican factions are exerting themselves as never before to influence this government's decision in their behalf. Pressure of various kinds is being brought to bear, directly and indirectly. Propaganda is at its height. Only the President is aware of the representations made to him, but the press agents are busy trying to mold public opinion and the public should read Mexican press dispatches with several grains of salt.

The reactionaries, openly opposed by the President, want intervention to suppress the revolutionists, thinking they may thereby regain power.

The Constitutionalists or Carranzistas, claiming military control, ask unqualified recognition as the government of Mexico.

The Constitutionalists, including the Villistas and Zapatas, claiming control of most of the country, are now organizing a new government on strict constitutional lines which they hope will meet the requirements of the United States.

After discounting the claims of the various factions it is well to examine the situation and note the alternative courses presented to the President.

To be consistent President Wilson must demand that the government to be recognized in Mexico conform to the constitution and must be revolutionary and not reactionary. In his proclamation of June 2, when he warned the factions to compose their differences, he said the United States must, unless the factions get together at once, "lend any aid they properly can to any instrumentality which promises to be effective in bringing about a settlement which will embody the real objects of the revolution—constitutional government and the rights of the people." To this end, he said that the United States must presently "lend its active moral support to some man or group of men, if such may be found, who can rally the suffering people of Mexico to their support in an effort to ignore, if they cannot unite, the warring factions."

The Cientificos, or reactionaries, such as Huerta and Irujo, who have been driven out of Mexico by the revolutionists, have slight hope of any open aid from President Wilson, so now, as indicated in a recent interview by Cardinal Gibbons, they favor intervention in the hope that the resulting confusion may somehow result in restoration of the old regime.

It should be noted, also, that the governments of some of the Latin-American countries whose representatives confer with the secretary of state tomorrow, sympathize with the old regime in Mexico and would be glad to see the revolution defeated. Also, the early sympathies of Secretary of State Lansing, whose father-in-law, former Secretary of State John W. Foster, was minister to Mexico during the Diaz presidency, have been with the old regime; whether he has come around to President Wilson's view of late remains to be seen.

At all events it should be kept in view that while the Cientificos can expect nothing openly from President Wilson, they have not ceased their efforts to get in on the reorganization and they are watching every turn in the negotiations to press their advantage, but it is believed that President Wilson is awake to the situation.

It then narrows down to the three alternatives of recognizing Carranza, recognizing the new Constitutional government being organized by Villa leaders with Vasquez Tagle (minister of justice under Madero) as President, or ignoring them all and arbitrarily setting up a new government.

The Carranza government is of military origin and therefore not founded on the constitution; and the arbitrary attitude of the "first chief" has not won him favor with the Wilson administration. Also his claims to military supremacy are known to be greatly exaggerated.

On the other hand it is known that the administration has long sympathized with the Villa faction and has been pleased with their recent expressed willingness to meet Carranza to discuss peace after President Wilson's proclamation of June 2. If the new government now being organized by Villa leaders, having invited all other factional leaders to join them in the organization, complies with the President's requirements, it would not be surprising if he should choose to use this channel for setting up the government to be recognized by the United States.

Comparative military strength will have little weight with President Wilson, it was mentioned in his message of June 2. The best information is that neither side has much advantage in this respect. So the chief considerations will be sincerity, feasibility and constitutionality.

The steps in the program probably will be about as follows:

1. Agreement with the Latin-American (Continued on page seven, column four)

News From the Capitals—Political Doings of Nations

CANADIAN PART IN THE WAR ON FRENCH GROUND

Review Given of Several Attacks Made by Dominion Troops—Emphasis Laid on Resourcefulness and Energy of Men

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

LONDON—A further narrative of the doings of the Canadian division in France has been furnished by the Canadian record officer. After the great battle of Langemarck, where it will be remembered, the division had to bear the brunt of the German's first gas attack, it retired into billets and rested until May 14. Reinforcement arrived from the Canadian base in England, and on May 17 the remade infantry brigades advanced towards the firing line once more.

The first operation described is an attack on an orchard near La Quinque Rue, which the enemy had placed in a state of defense. The troops engaged in this attack were two companies of the Fourteenth Royal Montreal Regiment, under Lieutenant-Colonel Meighen, and two companies of the Sixteenth Canadian Scottish, under Lieutenant-Colonel Leckie.

As there was no opportunity, the writer says, to reconnoiter the ground, it was very difficult to determine the proper objective. The flanking company of the sixteenth battalion reached its allotted position, but after the advance of the remaining company of that regiment and the fourteenth, under very heavy shell fire, the proper direction was not maintained. They were told to dig themselves in and to connect up with the Wiltshire battalion on their right and the Coldstream Guards on their left. They had then gained 500 yards.

On the morning of the 20th orders were issued for an attack on the orchard that night. A reconnaissance of the position was made by Major Leckie, brother of Lieutenant-Colonel Leckie, when patrols were sent out, one of which very neatly managed to escape being cut off by the enemy, and another suffered a few casualties. This showed the Germans were in force and that an attack on the orchard would be no light work. During that afternoon the orchard was very heavily bombarded by our artillery, increasing in severity up to the delivery of the attack. Promptly to the minute the guns ceased, and the two companies climbed out of their trenches to advance. At the same instant two of our machine guns, situated in an advanced post, opened on the enemy. As the advance was carried out in broad daylight, the movements were at once seen by the enemy, and immediately a torrent of machine gun, rifle fire, and shrapnel was directed upon our troops. Their steadiness and discipline were remarkable and were greatly praised by the officers of the Coldstream Guards who were on the left.

When they reached the edge of the orchard an unexpected obstacle presented itself in the form of a deep ditch, and on the farther side a wired hedge. Without hesitation, however, the men plunged through the ditch, in some places up to their necks in water, and made for some previously reconnoitered gap in the hedge. Not many Germans had stayed in the orchard during the bombardment. The bulk of the garrison, according to the usual German method under artillery fire, had evidently retired to the support trenches in the rear. A few had been left behind to man a machine-gun redoubt near to the center of the orchard, with the idea of holding up our advancing infantry till the enemy, withdrawn during the bombardment, could return in full strength; but these machine guns retreated when the Canadians came. On the far side of the orchard, however, the Germans, following their system indicated above, came up to contest the position, but the onset of the Canadians forced them to beat a hasty retreat. Although double our numbers, they could not be induced to face a hand-to-hand fight. Three platoons cleared the orchard.

One company did not go into the orchard, but pushed forward and occupied an abandoned German trench running in a southwesterly direction, to prevent any flank counter-attack being made by the enemy. They found themselves in a very exposed position, and consequently suffered heavily, but the position was a very important one, having twice repulsed assaults by other regiments. Had our advance been less rapid the enemy would not doubt have got back into this position, and our task might have been impossible. They argued, as I have said, that any attack might be held up by the machine guns in the redoubt and in the fortified positions on the flank for long enough to enable them to return to the orchard after our bombardment had ceased, and throw us back. The speed with which our assault was carried out prevented this altogether.

After describing some further incidents, all of which go to show the resourcefulness and energy of the Canadian division, the writer says that until the end of the month the Canadian division continued to hold the territory which had been seized from the enemy, and on the last day of May their headquarters were moved to the extreme south of the British line. Here the



Lord Kitchener with the lord mayor of London inspecting the H. A. C. who formed the Guard of Honor

routine of ordinary trench warfare was resumed until the middle of June.

About this time a British division was directed to make a frontal attack on a fortified place in the enemy's trench line known to the British intelligence staff as "Stony Mountain." The first Canadian Ontario regiment, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Hill of the first brigade, was detailed to secure the right flank of the British division, by seizing two lines of German trenches between "Stony Mountain" and another fortified place, known as "Dorchester," which was 150 yards to the south.

Fifteen minutes before the attack was timed to take place two 18-pounder guns, which had been placed in the infantry trenches under cover of darkness on the instructions of Brigadier-General Burdett, opened fire upon the parapets of the enemy's trenches. One gun under Lieut. C. S. Craig, fired over 100 rounds, sweeping the ground clear of wire and destroying two machine guns.

Just before 6 o'clock, a mine which had been previously prepared by the sappers was exploded. The leading company, under Maj. C. J. L. Smith, rushed forward, with the smoke and flying dirt of the mine explosion for a screen, and met a withering fire from the German machine guns placed in "Stony Mountain." But their dash was irresistible, and almost immediately the company was in possession of the German front trench and "Dorchester." The leading company was followed by bombing parties on the right and left flanks.

A second, third, and fourth company launched successive attacks. The last was under Captain Delamere. Lieutenant Campbell with two machine guns had advanced in the rear of the second company. A portion of the crew of one gun gained the enemy's front trench, and then advanced along the trench in the direction of Stony Mountain. The advance was most difficult, and although subjected to constant heavy rifle and machine gun fire, the gunners led the way until further advance was impossible owing to a barricade across the trench. The machine gun crew which reached the trench was reduced to Lieutenant Campbell and Private Vincent, a lumberjack from Bracebridge, Ontario, the machine gun and the tripod. In default of a base Lieutenant Campbell set up the machine "on the broad back of Private Vincent" and fired continuously. Afterwards, during the retreat, the German bombers entered the trench, and Lieutenant Campbell fell wounded. Private Vincent then cut away the cartridge belt and, abandoning the tripod, dragged the gun away to safety, as it was too hot to handle.

The supply of bombs ran short, and Private Smith, of Southampton, Ontario, son of a Methodist minister, and not much more than 19, was almost the only source of replenishment. He was, "till Armageddon," a student at the Listowel Business College. When the mine exploded he was buried. By the time he had dug himself out, he discovered that all his world, including his rifle, had disappeared. But his business training told him that there was an active demand for bombs for the German trenches, a few score yards away. So Private Smith festooned himself with bombs from fallen bomb throwers around him, and set out, mainly on all fours, to supply that demand. He did it five times. He was not himself a bomb thrower but a mere middleman. Twice he went up to the trenches and handed his load over to the busy men. Thrice, so hot was the fire, that he had to lie down and toss the bombs, which do not explode until the safety pin is withdrawn, into the trench to the men who needed them most. His clothes were literally shot into rags and raveled,

but he himself was untouched in all his hazardous speculations, and he explains his escape by saying, "I kept moving."

But after all, the writer continues, the supply of bombs ran out, and the casualties resulting from the heavy machine-gun and rifle fire from Stony Mountain considerably increased the difficulties of holding the line. The enemy meanwhile had been accumulating strong forces, and, finally, at about half past 9, the remnants of the battalion were forced to evacuate all the ground that had been gained. The withdrawal was conducted with deliberation through a hail of bullets, but it cost us heavily. After several days of heavy artillery fire, the writer says in conclusion, our troops were relieved and the headquarters moved to the north. Here a trench line was taken over from a British division, and here for the present we must leave them.

When Dominion day came they remembered with pride that they were the army of a nation, and those who were in the trenches displayed the Dominion flag decorated with the flowers of France, "to the annoyance of the barbarians, who riddled it with bullets." Behind the lines the day was celebrated with sports and games, while the pipers of the Scottish Canadian battalions played "a selection of national airs."

GERMAN TREATMENT OF WORKMEN

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

LONDON—In his latest dispatch from the British headquarters, Eye-Witness gives some account of the position of the French and Belgian workmen under German rule. The meaning to the inhabitants of the occupation of territory by the enemy, Eye-Witness writes, even in its milder form, is well illustrated by what is now going on in parts of Belgium and France. In some places the Germans are having articles required by the troops manufactured in local factories by the simple method of arresting the managers who refuse to undertake such work. In one case where the employees struck as a reply to the incarceration of their officials, the workmen to the number of some hundreds were themselves arrested and sentenced to a term of imprisonment, which would terminate only when they signed a document to the effect that their return to work was voluntary. In other cases workmen have been shut up in their factories and kept without food until they agreed to continue working. In one town a notice has been posted up to the effect that the proprietors of any factory that closes down will be fined 1000 marks a day during the stoppage of work, and as a punishment for strikes all the inhabitants are forced to be indoors by 7 p. m., with lights out at 7.30 p. m.

KING AND IRISH TROOPS

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

WARRENPOINT, Ireland—At a great All-Ireland recruiting meeting, held at Warrenpoint, county Down, recently, the Lord Lieutenant read the following message from the King:

I rejoice to think that your Excellency is presiding over so representative and united a body as the Central Recruiting Council of Ireland, and trust that its good work will be crowned with success and conduce to a speedy and victorious end to the war. The recruits that are now answering your appeal will, I know, emulate that splendid bravery by which my Irish troops in the war have maintained their glorious traditions. GEORGE, R. I.

INDEPENDENCE DAY SPEECH OF M. VIVIANI

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

PARIS, France—The American Chamber of Commerce in Paris celebrated Independence Day by holding a banquet which was attended by M. Viviani and a number of the members of the cabinet. M. Peixotto, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Sharp, the United States ambassador, having welcomed the guests and expressed both admiration for the French armies and the friendliness of America for France, M. Viviani, the premier, addressed his American hosts in a speech which has been reported in a cable to The Christian Science Monitor.

"Gentlemen," he said, "on this momentous day on which it is your custom to meet as fellow citizens, you have invited to your board the government of the Republic. It has responded with alacrity, deeply appreciating the motive which prompted the invitation. I will express your motive without lending any false color to it. You wished to recall the fact that a common glory smiles upon us, that American and French heroes sealed a brotherly compact in the past. You wished to render homage to the great nation who, faithful to her traditions, defends on her territory her firesides and her independence, together with the independence of the world of which, on so many occasions, she has been the champion; you have wished, you who know her so well, to present her with the moving testimony of your respect. You have never thought her a frivolous and light nation and you are not surprised to find her strong and serious. You have never allowed yourselves to be blinded by the dust of our internal struggles into believing that the discussions of free men precluded unity of sentiment and purpose. You have never believed that France was merely capable of a heroic effort to be immediately followed by a sudden breakdown, you know what is hidden under the brilliant qualities of our race, and that the most tragic trials do not interfere with our resisting powers. If this trial is to be prolonged, if fighting days succeed one another, you know that France is neither weary nor resigned, that she is upright, armed, organized, enthusiastic, formidable, certain of victory, with the indomitable allies who are fighting in the same cause." As soon as Germany had let loose on the world the abominable scourge of war, M. Viviani proceeded, America turned in affectionate solicitude towards France. She had established hospitals and sent aid which had rivalled the French service in zeal. American women had abandoned their comforts and their luxuries to tend the wounded and had been inspired in their charity by an inimitable tenderness. May my voice, exclaimed M. Viviani, express thanks and benedictions for a generosity which has touched us so deeply. Is it too much to say that in these noble actions you were inspired by your affection and by your conscience? Your ancestors established the greatest democracy the world has ever known and have uplifted the independence of nations into a tenet of faith. Our ancestors proclaimed the rights of man and announced the rights of nations. How could it be otherwise than that a living sympathy should unite the heirs of so noble a heritage when justice has been trampled under foot and freedom violated. It is not before you, nor before your country, that I will plead the cause of France and of her allies. Your sympathy is already ours. The pride of our race stands as a guarantee to you that we shall know how to preserve it. We are fighting and we will go on fighting, we will break that heavy sword which has so many

times threatened and bruised the cause of justice. To achieve this end we will not have recourse to inhuman actions. . . . Civilization is superior to Kultur in that it respects the judgment of humanity and the verdict of history. But I will turn from the present to that future which will witness the independence of nations, the exercise of control over their own destinies, to that posterity freed by the courage of so many heroes, to that great republic which stands for strength, strength not the master, but the servant of justice.

GLASGOW GIRLS MAKE MUNITIONS OF WAR

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GLASGOW, Scotland—Although some of the plant is only in course of being fitted up at Beardmore's engineering works, a number of young women have been employed for several weeks, and soon 350 will be employed. Each girl is provided with a strong overall and cap of khaki cotton. It is safe to say that every girl is working from as patriotic a motive as any man now serving at the front for King and country. The women, like the men, are paid piece-work, and even beginners are able to make a good weekly wage. A friendly but keen emulation exists among the workers, and the record is continually being broken. From 70 the number of finished shells quickly rose to 95 and then to over 100. There seems to be no limit to the patriotic enthusiasm of these women, all of whom show regularity, earnestness, application and intelligence to a marked degree. "Tell the girls employed," said Lord Kitchener to Sir William Beardmore, head of one of Glasgow's largest engineering firms, "how highly I appreciate the good work they are doing in turning out shells, and how much the country is indebted to them for their efforts."

The day workers come on duty at 8 a. m. and at 6 p. m. the night shift take up the work. The facility with which the girls learn even the most intricate and delicate branches of the work is marvelous, so that not merely the making and weighing, but also the inspection is done by women. A lady superintendent has been engaged, who attends to the comfort and welfare of the workers. Hot cocoa is provided not only for the night workers, but also for the girls on their arrival in the early morning, while a large well ventilated recreation room gives the girls an opportunity of enjoying a quiet rest during their spare time.

SCOTTISH AGRICULTURE

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EDINBURGH, Scotland—Statistics dealing with agriculture in Scotland during 1914 have just been published by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland. The changes occurring during the year in the utilization of the land, it is pointed out, tended mainly in the same direction as those of the previous two years. The most noticeable and important feature was the continued shrinkage in the area of cultivated land. In 1912 the decrease amounted to 24,501 acres; in 1913 to 23,415 acres; while in 1914 the area which went out of cultivation was 11,738 acres. Thus in three years the total area producing crops and grass was diminished by nearly 60,000 acres; and the decrease of cultivated land in Scotland during the past 25 years has been 102,000 acres. The most considerable shrinkage in 1914 was in the acreage under oats. The barley acreage also fell a little; and, apart from rotation grass, the only crops showing substantial increases were wheat and potatoes.

LORD KITCHENER OUTLINES NEEDS TO WIN CONFLICT

Secretary of State for War Urges Country to Take Heed of Opportunity Now Offered

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

LONDON—As already reported in the cable dispatches to The Christian Science Monitor, Earl Kitchener, secretary of state for war, addressed a large meeting at the Guildhall recently. The lord mayor presided, and with Lord Kitchener on the platform were Winston Churchill, Sir Edward Carson, the Bishop of London, and many other prominent men of affairs.

Lord Kitchener said that enjoying as he did the privilege of a freeman of the City of London, he could be sure that the words he uttered in the heart of the capital would be spread broadcast throughout the empire. After referring to the splendid work done by the forces from overseas and to the recent successes in South Africa, Lord Kitchener went on to say that Napoleon when asked what were the three things necessary for a successful war, replied, "money, money, money." Today they might vary that phrase and say, "men, material and money." As regarded the supply of money for the war, the government were negotiating a new loan, the marked success of which was greatly due to the favorable response made by the city. To meet the need for material the energetic manner in which the new ministry of munitions was coping with the many difficulties which confronted the production of their great requirements, afforded abundant proof that this very important work was being dealt with in a highly satisfactory manner. There still remained the need for men to fill the ranks of the armies, and it was to emphasize that point and bring it home to the people of the country that he had come there that afternoon. All the reasons which led him to think in August, 1914, that this war would be a prolonged one held good at the present time. It is true they were in an immeasurably better situation now than 10 months ago, but the position today was at least as serious as it was then. The thorough preparedness of Germany, due to her strenuous efforts, sustained at high pressure for some 40 years, had issued in a military organization as complex in character as it was perfect in machinery. The British voluntary system, which as they knew had been the deliberate choice of their people, had rendered it necessary that their forces in peace time should be of relatively slender dimensions with a capacity for potential expansion, and they had habitually relied on time being allowed them to increase their armed forces during the progress of hostilities. The opening of the war found them, therefore, in their normal military situation, and it became necessary to raise new armies. From the first there had been a satisfactory and constant flow of recruits, and the falling off in numbers recently apparent in recruiting returns had been, he believed, in a great degree, due to circumstances of a temporary character. There was equipment, he said, now ready for all, and the troops in training could be supplied with sufficient arms and material to turn them out efficient soldiers.

Proceeding, Lord Kitchener said it was an axiom that the larger an army was the greater was its need of an ever swelling number of men of recruitable age to maintain it at its full strength. After referring with cordial commendation to the excellent work done by the recruiting staff of the regular army, the territorial associations and the various voluntary recruiting committees, Lord Kitchener said the time had now come when something more was required to insure the demands of forces overseas being fully met, and to enable the large reserve of men imperatively required for the proper conduct of the war being formed and trained. The government had asked Parliament to pass a registration bill, and when this registration was completed they would be able to note the men of recruitable age not required for munition or other necessary industrial work, and therefore available for the fighting line, if otherwise fit. What the numbers required were likely to be, Lord Kitchener pointed out, it was clearly inexpedient to make known. Their constant refusal to publish either these or any other figures likely to prove useful to the enemy, needed neither explanation nor apology.

After referring to some of the difficulties which presented themselves to men who might otherwise be desirous of recruiting, Lord Kitchener concluded by saying that a solemn hour for the British empire was now striking. Let us, he said, take heed of the great opportunity it offers and which most assuredly we must grasp now, at once, or never. Let each man of us see we spare nothing, shirk nothing, shrink from nothing, if only we may lend our full weight to the impetus which shall carry to victory the cause of our honor and of our freedom.

Sir Edward Carson in moving a resolution thanking Lord Kitchener for his address and pledging the meeting to support him in his appeal for recruits, said that Lord Kitchener possessed the absolute confidence and unflinching devotion of a grateful nation, and that whatever he asked for as necessary for the final victory would be given him wholeheartedly.

The vote of thanks to the lord mayor was proposed by Winston Churchill who said that nearly a year had passed since in that hall he was called upon to offer a few words of counsel and encouragement in the situation in which they found themselves in August. He was then able to assure them that the British naval forces would be adequate to any strain which would be cast upon them, that they would clear the seas of the enemy's flag and insure the United Kingdom and her allies the freedom of the seas. That undertaking, Mr. Churchill added, amidst cheers, has been made good. Britannia rules the waves.

WOMEN AND AGRICULTURE

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LONDON—At a meeting held of the Women's Farm and Garden Union, at 84 Eaton square recently, Rowland Prothero, M. P., said that there was no doubt that women could make a living out of such branches of agriculture as dairying, fruit, flower and vegetable growing, and poultry farming. He would also add bee keeping, though he had never known a person to get a living out of bee keeping. The great thing for a woman who was seriously thinking of entering the agricultural field of labor to do was to get rid of every shred of the amateur. When establishing herself she must get near a railway since carriage by road meant money. A reputation for regular and uniform supply was indispensable, and it would be desirable to specialize in some one thing and to get it, if possible, beyond the range of the local market. Continuing, Mr. Prothero said that the farmer was not at present in want of labor but that there was going to be a great change in farming from a national point of view, and a strong united effort would be made to increase the produce of the soil on a very large scale. This would mean increased labor and the women's opportunity. The need was a national one and the Union would do everything in its power to secure adequate training for the women who desired to enter that field of labor.

EDINBURGH PROFESSOR RETIRES

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EDINBURGH, Scotland—Announcement has been made of the retirement of Professor Saintsbury from the chair of English literature in Edinburgh University, a position which he has held since 1895. Professor Saintsbury succeeded David Masson, a very well-known figure in Edinburgh of his day and a friend of Carlyle. At one time Mr. Saintsbury was literary editor of the Saturday Review, and was known in the circle which included W. H. Pollock, Andrew Lang and Robert Louis Stevenson. It is hoped on his retirement that he will now have more time at his disposal for further additions to his literary works. His first production was a primer of French literature, but his reputation rests chiefly upon works of purely English character, such as "Dryden," "Essays in English Literature," and his "History of Criticism."

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Progress of Events in Centers of Eastern Hemisphere

SURVEY OF WAR SHOWS GERMAN AFRICAN LOSSES

Account Furnished of Campaign in Southwest Africa—Fighting in Eastern Area—Destruction of the Cruiser Koenigsberg

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

LONDON—On the morning of July 9, at 2 a. m., General Botha accepted the surrender by Dr. Seitz, Governor of German Southwest Africa, of the whole of the German forces in the colony. The progress of what, in this world war, amounted to an outpost engagement, was marked by the gradual increase of the Union's citizen forces until the "British" were in an overwhelming superiority. Nevertheless the whole affair was conducted with such skill, forethought, and generalship on the part of the leaders, and with such endurance, tenacity and courage by the men that South Africa deserved the warm congratulations showered upon it from all other parts of the British empire. It was the measure of General Botha's success that the campaign went on from stage to stage, up to the surrender by Governor Seitz of 204 officers and 3293 soldiers, with few of the successful pitched battles and little of the fighting one tends to look for in a victorious campaign.

The first incident of this outpost warfare was the occupation of Lüderitzbucht on Sept. 18 last, and the reoccupation on Christmas day of Walvisch bay, which the Germans had seized on Sept. 11. In Lüderitzbucht the Germans left everything untouched with the exception, naturally, of the wireless station, which they dismantled. Swakopmund was occupied on Jan. 15, the last of the sea bases being thus secured. Jan. 24 was marked by Commandant Van der Vent's severe defeat of the attack on Upington in the Union by the insurrectionist leaders, Kemp and Maritz, an event which practically brought the South African insurrection to an end and thus released General Botha for the campaign in the German colony. The campaign in this important German possession began with the advance of columns from Reiffontein and the Orange river in the south, and from Lüderitzbucht, which were to strike northwards and to combine ultimately with General Botha's forces advancing from Swakopmund in the north near Walvisch bay. In German Southwest Africa the Germans had shown their usual thoroughness in the matter of railway communication and, as was pointed out at the time, there was always the chance that they might concentrate and overthrow the columns separately. Apart from the railways, their great asset was the extremely difficult character of the country of which they made full use by destroying the railway behind them whenever possible. As it turned out, the extremely well thought out arrangements of General Botha and Smuts prevented any concentration against isolated columns. The southern and southeastern columns, advancing on the line of the railways, successfully joined up and continued their advance northwards under the command of General Smuts. Among the successes of this southern force was a raid by Sir Duncan Mackenzie's mounted troops from Bethany to Gibeon, many prisoners being captured. In the north meantime, General Botha advanced from Swakopmund in March and in his progress towards Windhuk, the capital, captured some guns and a couple of hundred prisoners at Pforzberg. On May 12 came the capture of Windhuk, which was also left intact, and where General Botha secured possession of a wireless station which, with a single intermediate station in Togoland, could communicate with Berlin. Continuing his advance along the railway which runs up towards the northeast General Botha so successfully outmaneuvered and outflanked the defending forces that they were unable to make any show of resistance. Finally on July 1 General Botha reached Octavi, where the copper mines are and where the railway branches off to Grootfontein and Tsumab. Generals Manie, Botha and Lukin showing great dash and resolution in marches of 45 miles in 10 hours and 48 miles in 20 hours, respectively. The nearer the Germans approached to the terminus of their railways the nearer they approached the end of their resources and finally, after a successful piece of combined work, of which details had not been received at the date of writing, the Union troops completed an encircling movement, an ultimatum was presented to the Germans, and Governor Seitz surrendered. The main feature of the last operations was incessant marching by the Union troops, day and night, over great distances, this marching being conducted with extraordinary speed and without water. In the earlier stages of the operations correspondence passed between the opposing leaders with reference to the poisoning of wells by the Germans, General Botha intimating his intention of holding the German commander responsible. Probably in the concluding phase of the campaign, the Union troops were still distrustful of what little water was to be found. In addition to the physical difficulties of the country, General Botha had to reckon with the fact that the ground in some parts was heavily mined but such was the adequacy of the field intelligence that parties of Germans, left

behind to explode the mines while large Union forces were crossing them, were captured, great loss being thus averted. Thus an area of 382,000 square miles, forming the principal overseas possession of Germany, passed into British hands and the first complete British success was achieved by the empire's youngest citizen. General Botha might well say that the overcoming of all the difficulties of waterless desert, fortified posts, entrenched positions and blockhouses by a mainly citizen army deserves to rank highly as a military achievement, and the United Kingdom might be excused for congratulating itself on that confident foresight which gave self-government to the Boers and thus attached the new colony so firmly to the empire.

During the few days from July 9 to 13 little development occurred in the European battlefield, either east, west, south or southwest. For the time being the situation east of the Vistula in the Lublin government continued to retain its position of importance. On July 12 the Russians had succeeded in smoothing out the Austrian salient projecting towards Lublin and had taken up positions on the heights on the right bank of the Urzedowka river. At this date also there were signs of activity on the German front facing towards Cholm, while in Galicia, further to the south-east, the Russians claimed to have dispersed Austro-German attacks near Busk. Of minor incidents reported at this time, the news of the destruction of the German cruiser Königsberg by the monitors Severn and Mersey proved once more, as did their work on the Belgian coast and in the Dardanelles, Mr. Churchill's wisdom in purchasing these shallow draft vessels at the outbreak of the war and, if the report is correct, in building more since. The Königsberg, it will be recalled, escaped from Dar-es-Salaam at the beginning of the war but never achieved the success of the Emden. Her one big success was the sinking of the Ellerman liner, City of Winchester, off Sokotra, early in August, and in the following month she sank the Pegasus at Zanzibar while the latter vessel was laid up for repairs. The German cruiser was finally chased up the Rufiji river in German East Africa and succeeded in going far enough up the river to be out of range of the British guns. Colliers were sunk across the few channels at the mouth of the river, but finally the admiralty decided to try to get rid of the Königsberg altogether so as to release the British blockading vessels. Aircraft located the cruiser, though not without great difficulty, for she had been most skillfully concealed with foliage, and the monitors then completed the work of destruction. The assistance of H. M. S. Weymouth and Pioneer was needed to silence guns on the river banks and the Königsberg herself put up a great fight, but a further attack on July 11 reduced the raider to a total wreck.

MUNITION WORKERS IN DEMAND IN BRITAIN

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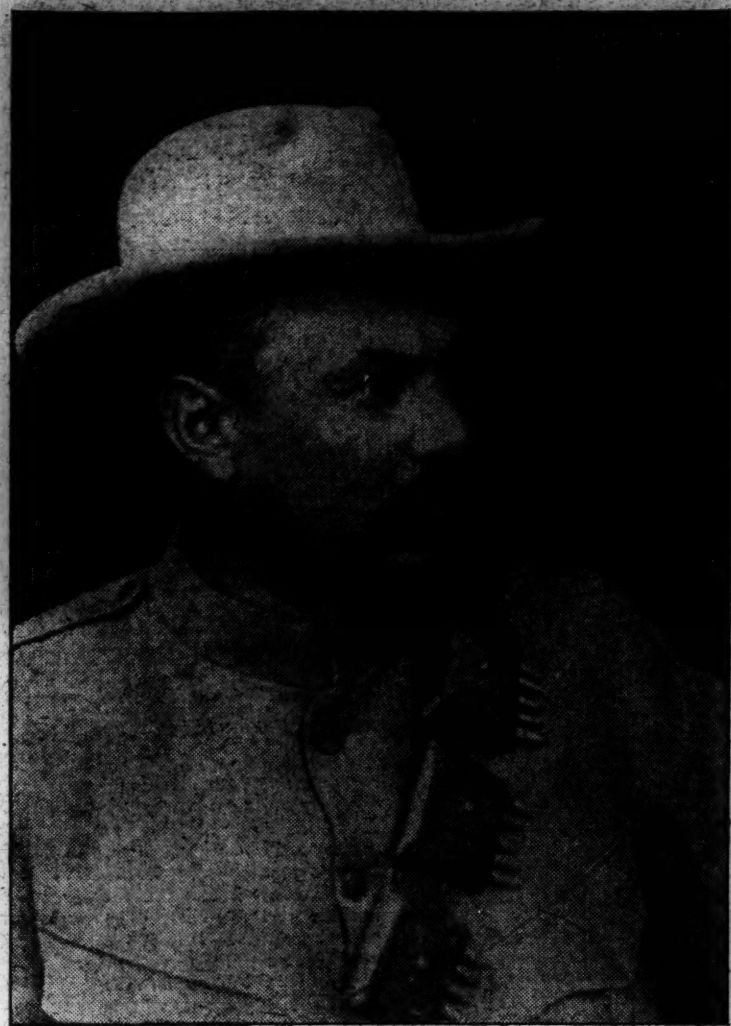
LONDON—The Society of Amalgamated Toolmakers, Engineers and Machinists, has appealed to its members "to put in all the time they possibly can, and to be willing, if not employed on government work, to move to fresh shops and even districts, if by so doing they can assist in accelerating the production of the weapons which are so essential to the success of our troops in the field." Trade unionists may, the appeal continued, depend upon it that their just interests will be safeguarded to the utmost, but the shorter the war is the easier it will be to do this, and we therefore again urge members to make every effort in order to insure the "delivery of the goods" and the defeat of the enemy.

In an introductory note the president-general and the general secretary express the opinion that it is undoubtedly a great step forward that in a time of crisis such as the present cabinet ministers should consider it to be to the interest of the country to consult organized labor, and even to give a labor representative a seat in the cabinet itself, and we are quite sure that the result will fully justify the departure. The government of this country is today, "our government," in a sense that it has never been before, and it is for us to give it all the support we can in the one vital business which it has in hand, namely, the absolute defeat of German militarism. We do not want this war to finish in such a manner as to leave military people with an excuse for turning this country into a permanent military camp, with reforms of every kind indefinitely postponed, and so we want the complete and absolute defeat of the German government, and of all responsible for the present war.

GERMAN CHEMICAL ACHIEVEMENTS

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BERLIN, Germany—Two fresh achievements of German chemical research have recently been announced. The Berliner Tageblatt has learned that the manufacture of synthetic rubber is proceeding apace, and that the artificial article may shortly be expected to appear on the market; an event which, it claimed, would improve the annual trade balance sheet by the sum of 250,000,000 marks. At the same time Berlin chemists are stated to have discovered a process for the manufacture of albumen with the help of yeast and certain salts. It is declared that large quantities of edible matter, suitable both for human consumption and for cattle food, can be obtained by this process, and the government has declared all patents based upon it, now or in the future, to be a state monopoly.



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BRITISH PRISONERS AT ALTDAMM CAMP

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LONDON—The United States ambassador at Berlin forwards the following report by Mr. Jackson upon a visit paid on June 11 to the camp for non-commissioned officers and men at Altdamm:—At Altdamm, Mr. Jackson writes, near Stettin, there are three camps for prisoners of war, with a total capacity of about 15,000, in the largest of which is accommodation for about 7000, there being about 4800 present. Some 400 British prisoners have been interned since November.

This camp is built in a former exercise ground on sandy soil, and is surrounded by a pine-wood. The English prisoners live by themselves in three large huts, being under the supervision of their own non-commissioned officers. Mr. Jackson talked freely and out of hearing of any Germans with the senior non-commissioned officers and a large number of the men, hearing the usual criticism of the food, but no important complaint on other scores. All the men were in touch with friends, at home, and they told him that they received packages averaging about one per week per man.

The men said that all writing paper was taken out of these packages, and not given to them. This it would appear is a general rule, made in order to prevent secret communications from entering the camp, and Mr. Jackson explained the matter to the men, and advised them to let their friends know of it, and advise that more money be sent, so that they could buy their writing paper at the canteen. The canteen itself seemed to be well supplied, and the prisoners are permitted to buy lemonades. The cooking is done principally by Russians. The food, which was tasted, consisted of a thick vegetable soup, which was certainly nourishing if not particularly inviting in looks. For their midday meal the prisoners on the day of the visit had this soup and raw pickled herrings. Germans and Russians relish these herrings raw but the English do not, and there had been some trouble on this account. During the winter the Englishmen had been able to cook their herrings at the barracks fires, but since heating is no longer necessary they had been cooking them over fires made contrary to orders, sometimes inside the barracks themselves. Several men have been punished with three days in the cells solitary, but with usual food, for disobedience to orders in this respect, and on June 11 there were three in the cells. Upon Mr. Jackson explaining to the commandant that the English did not eat their herrings raw, he said he would have arrangements made so that they could cook them without endangering the barracks by fire. He said that no complaint on this score had reached him before, and that he had thought that the English had made the fires more or less out of insubordination. There were no complaints in regard to any discrimination against English prisoners. They were allowed to play football, and several are members of the camp band, the instruments for which were purchased, in part from private funds and in part from the proceeds of the canteen. Two are employed in the camp postoffice.

The men must bathe and have their clothing cleaned once a week. Hot water is available for washing clothing at other times, and there are a number of arched wells throughout the camp. There is a large supply of clothing on hand, and those who make their needs

known can have them supplied. There are tailor and shoemaker shops, where the work is done by the prisoners under German supervision.

A chapel has been arranged, in which religious services of all denominations are held. In the camp are several French priests and one Russian priest, and services have been held in English by the German pastor of a seaman's mission in Stettin. The camp was also visited once, about a month before Mr. Jackson's inspection by the Rev. Mr. Williams, rector of St. George's Church, Berlin.

VIEW EXPRESSED ON GERMAN INTENTIONS

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PARIS, France—The Matin publishes an article by M. Dumont Wilden in which he relates a conversation which took place in Brussels, on the subject of the letter supposed to have been written by William II. stating that if he so wished he would bring about peace immediately, since what could not be achieved at present could be brought about later. In spite of the Kogmadatur, says M. Dumont Wilden, a few French papers have reached Brussels. The Matin is read regularly in secret by groups of Belgians who club together to buy a copy which costs from two to five francs. At the time of his leaving the Belgian capital, the famous imperial letter had just appeared, and he states that at one of these little meetings of Belgians, a German, long resident in the country, entered, and as he had proved himself on many occasions trustworthy and loyal to confidence reposed in him, his opinion on the letter was asked. He said that he could not say whether the letter was authentic or not, but he could guarantee that it very fairly represented the opinion of the government in Germany and even that of a great number of the officers.

They are, he said, recognizing more and more that they have lost the game and they no longer expect to reach Paris or Calais, or to invade England, nor even do they expect to keep Belgium. All they intend to do now is to hold their present positions in order to weary the Allies and thus obtain an honorable peace, that is to say, a peace which will enable them to begin again in another 40 years time. The Hohenzollerns and their Prussian staff believe that they have been entrusted with a dynamic mission for the reconstitution of a German empire on the model of the Roman empire, and to further this end they have succeeded in making the German people believe that the prosperity of their country lies in this direction. Their aim is to make the whole of Europe yield to their claim of domination and become Germany's vassals. This dream was held before the war by professors who were held in the highest consideration and it is a dream, continued M. Dumont Wilden's informant, which they will certainly not relinquish.

GERMAN ART CRITIC PRISONER

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CHRISTIANIA, Norway—Dr. Mayer Graefe, the well-known German art critic who, at the commencement of the war was serving in the German army medical corps, and was afterwards reported as missing, is now said to be a prisoner in Siberia. According to a letter from a friend of his to relations in Norway, Dr. Graefe was for many months a prisoner in a village in the interior of Russia, but at the time the letter was written he was on his way to Siberia where he had been sent by the Russian authorities.

GERMAN WRITER EXAMINES BRITISH ENTRANCE IN WAR

Professor Schuecking Regards Real Reason as Struggle for a Balance of Power

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

BERLIN, Germany—Dr. Walther Schuecking has published in the Berliner Tageblatt an interesting examination of the reasons for England's intervention in the war. He began by refuting the popular idea that England's action had been dictated by economic jealousy. It was true, he admitted, that the economic competition between England and Germany had created a feeling which rendered possible a war between the two; but it could not be said on the whole that capitalistic considerations had led the former to declare war, for they had no right to credit her with such foolishness. All that Norman Angell had written concerning economic interdependence, Professor Schuecking pointed out, had been confirmed during the present war, and he noted that Die Grenzboten had recently referred to the fact that the destruction of German prosperity would also signify an economic catastrophe for England. It is therefore highly desirable, he continued, that people in Germany should abandon the erroneous view that England's main object in the war was their opponents' economic ruin, a view which, fortunately, is obstinately contested in the Prussian Jahrbücher.

There were two reasons, he considered, why that view had so generally obtained. The first was the way in which England's conduct of the war had been directed towards striking at Germany economically. And here he insisted that a distinction should be made between the tendency of the war and the methods employed in conducting it; the second was the failure of the majority of Germans throughout the world to discover any other reason for England's intervention.

Apart from the question of Belgium, which in his opinion ought not to be over-estimated, Dr. Schuecking regarded the real reason as being one of a political nature; in other words, the war on the English side was a struggle for the balance of power, in the sense that that phrase was understood in England. England feared, he wrote, and not without reason, that Germany would succeed in the complete subjugation of France and Russia, and that she would thus acquire on the continent a position similar to that of England on the seas. In order, therefore, that England might not find herself faced with a rival on an equal footing with herself, she decided that the balance of power in Europe must be upheld. Hence her participation in the war had its origin, not in economic tendencies, but in an antiquated cabinet policy, in the conception of a European balance of power which has been a tradition with cabinets for the past 400 years.

Professor Schuecking then proceeded to show how that conception had originated with the Medici, who regarded it as the necessary basis of Italian politics, and how it had gradually come to be adopted as the determining factor in the relations of European countries to one another. By the time of Henry VIII. of England, he pointed out, it was already the underlying motif of that monarch's relations with Francis I. of France, and with the Emperor Karl V., and it received the fullest recognition in the Utrecht treaty of 1713, which closed the war of the Spanish succession. In the nineteenth century the opposite idea of the right of the nation to form an individual state by virtue of a unity of customs, speech, and law began to dawn, but the origin of the Franco-German war went to prove that adherence to the old doctrine of the balance of power still largely prevailed.

It had still proved strong enough to determine England's attitude in the present crisis, but it is quite another question, Dr. Schuecking wrote, whether such a conception of things may really count as valid at the present time. Ever since the middle of the last century we professors of international law have endeavored to show the world that the relations of states to one another must be adjusted from quite a new standpoint, in accordance, namely, with the recognition of international solidarity of interests, recognition which, in the economic realm, long ago led to the formation of the cartel and the trust.

Sir Edward Grey, the writer continued, appears not to have remained altogether untouched by this new conception; during the critical days before the declaration of war he addressed a

highly memorable note to the imperial chancellor, in which he intimated his desire, if the existing crisis were safely passed, to come forward with altogether new proposals, which he himself had formerly regarded as utopian, and which were calculated to put an end to the permanent diplomatic conflict of the European system of alliances. That, Dr. Schuecking exclaimed, is a clear recognition of the ideas of international modernism, which takes the form of organized pacifism.

It was, unfortunately, the traditional policy of the balance of power which finally triumphed, the professor proceeded, but he hoped that the present war would cause it to be generally recognized that that conception must henceforth be renounced, and replaced by the recognition of the international solidarity of interests. The old idea had served, it was true, to maintain the independence of national life against the efforts of the Hapsburgs and Bourbons to revive the medieval idea of universal monarchy, but at best it was somewhat negative, and was no longer adapted to the modern requirements of an epoch characterized by a broad conception of world-economy. There will be compensation for the sacrifices of the present war, he concluded, only if it brings about what Asquith has called the partnership of Europe.

PUBLIC MEETING IN GERMANY

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

BERLIN, Germany—According to the Vorwärts, there has been a further suppression of public meetings in Germany.

The Söling police authorities recently refused to allow Herr Scheidemann to address his constituents on the subject of "The People's Food in War," as he refused to give a guarantee that he would not speak on certain matters. Similarly a meeting of the members of the German Bricklayers Union, which was to have been held in Wittenberg, was forbidden, because the authorities feared that the private business of the union would not alone be discussed, but that the meeting would be used "to acquire fresh members for the union, and to spread dissatisfaction with existing state and social conditions among the workers."

In Saxony particularly, it will be remembered, numbers of public meetings to discuss the food question were recently suppressed, and the Social Democratic group in the Saxon Diet has made an effort to secure the revocation of the proclamation of martial law, and the restoration of constitutional procedure. They first questioned the government as to the manner in which martial law was being administered, but were refused an answer on the plea that Saxon ministers were not competent to speak on the matter. Now, therefore, the Social Democratic deputies have brought forward the following motion: That this chamber determines to request the government to use its utmost influence with the imperial government for the speedy restoration of a constitutional state of things with regard to the laws relating to the press, and to the assembling of unions and meetings.

BOOK OF FRANCE ISSUED

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

LONDON—July 14, the French national fête day, was fixed as the date of the publication by Messrs. Macmillan & Co. of "The Book of France" edited by Miss Winifred Stephens. It contains contributions by French authors and artists and the price is 5s. The proceeds of the sale are to be given to the French Parliamentary fund for the relief of the invaded departments. Among the writers are Maurice Barrès, Jacques Blanche, Eugène Brieux, Mary Ducloux, Anatole France, Remy de Gourmont, Rudyard Kipling, Pierre Loti, the Comtesse de Noailles, the Duchesse de Rohan and J. H. Rosny. Among the illustrators are Jacques Blanche, Charles Cottet, Devanber, Abel Faivre, and Lucien Simon.

FRENCH SUCCESS IN MOROCCO

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

PARIS, France—A telegram has been received from Rabat stating that General Henrys, continuing operations against insurgents in the Werra region, ordered the Simon and Derigone columns to carry out a movement which met with success. On June 28 the French troops crossed the river Werra, and advanced against Ali ben Abdessein of the Beni Warrigal tribe who is under German protection. After heavy gun fire the heights were captured by the French and the enemy were driven off. The French success has restored order among the people on the left bank of the Werra. The chiefs on the right bank of the river have asked for peace.

RE-EXPORT OF GOODS TO OVERSEAS PORTS

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

LONDON—The board of trade direct the attention of traders to the following arrangements, failure to comply with which may result in goods being detained by the customs authorities at British ports overseas. At all such ports, excepting those in Canada, Newfoundland and Egypt, a British consular certificate of non-enemy origin is required by the customs authorities in respect of goods arriving from Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland and Italy, either directly or after transshipment under the customs regulations at any port in the United Kingdom. When goods from the countries named are imported into the United Kingdom and subsequently re-exported, a certificate of origin will not be required in the overseas port, but in lieu thereof the importer at that port should produce a duplicate copy of the "Specification for Foreign and Colonial Merchandise" (Form 30) or the "Shipping Bill" (Form 94) as the case requires, which exporters are called upon to lodge with the customs authorities in this country in connection with the re-exportation of such goods from the United Kingdom. The proper officers of customs in the United Kingdom are authorized by the board of customs and excise to sign and stamp complete duplicate copies of the "specification," or "shipping bill," or extracts therefrom, free of charge, provided the duplicate copy or extract is presented at the same time as the original. When the goods described on a "specification" or "shipping bill," are intended for two or more consignees, exporters may have extracts signed and stamped for transmission to each consignee. These arrangements apply to goods re-exported from this country to all British overseas ports, other than those in Canada, Newfoundland, and Egypt, as from July 7, except in the case of South African ports, in respect of which they apply as from Aug. 1.

GARDEN CITY PLAN FOR SOLDIERS

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)

EDINBURGH, Scotland—A scheme is being developed for providing for the proper housing of some of the soldiers who return from the war unfit for ordinary labor. There will be 39 houses, three shops, and three workshops, the whole covering three acres of ground, and there will be accommodation for 175 persons, including wives and families. The cottages are to be erected on the plan of a garden city. The workers will be trained in poultry farming, carving, metal work, and in making various kinds of baskets. When the workers are proficient they will be encouraged to get work elsewhere.

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B. & M. BILL PREPARED FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE

Reorganization Plan to Be Submitted to Governor Spaulding Today Said to Be General Compromise to All Parties

Directors of the Boston & Maine railroad in conference with representatives of the leased lines have agreed upon a bill for submission to the New Hampshire Legislature which aims for reorganization and legalization in that state of a merging of the railroad's leased lines through an issue of stock in lieu of the existing rental system.

This bill, built along lines similar to the reorganization legislation passed by the Legislatures of Massachusetts and Maine, will be submitted today in text to Governor Roland H. Spaulding of New Hampshire, and if his attitude is favorable the committee will make a formal request of him to call a special session of the New Hampshire Legislature to enact the bill into law.

In the bill the committee has brought together all interests whose attitudes widely varied when the committee first convened. It was with great difficulty that the representatives of the Concord & Montreal line were whipped into line, and it is understood that some concessions and considerable pressure were necessary to accomplish it.

The wishes of the road's directors, the federal trustees and the various interests, Governor Spaulding, leaders of the New Hampshire Legislature and the public service commission were all considered and granted so far as consistent, with the result that the bill is really an all-around compromise.

Unofficially it is understood that Governor Spaulding is in sympathy with the proposed legislation and that he will readily grant the committee's appeal for a special legislative session which will be made the first of next week, probably.

The bill calls upon the Boston & Maine to retire its floating indebtedness and to raise capital for reconstruction and equipment, these requirements to be fulfilled before consolidation is effective. This means that the road will have to have nearly \$50,000,000, which sum it is expected can be raised. It is considered unlikely that the road, even under the most favorable conditions, can get into a position to pay dividends for at least five years. Members of the leased lines committee believe, however, that with the removal of the annual rental burden the road will be able to rehabilitate itself within that time.

Though the committee had planned to make public the text of the bill yesterday, it decided that courtesy to Governor Spaulding required that the privilege of making it public be left with him.

The bill was submitted to the Boston & Maine directors who voted their approval of the bill, and voted to join with the committee in an application to Governor Spaulding to call a special session of the New Hampshire Legislature for its consideration.

The bill is permissive and gives the interested parties the right to enter negotiations with a fair prospect of success.

It will not be necessary for every leased line to enter the agreement, it is said. Neither is it necessary, the committee says, for Vermont or New York to pass similar legislation, because of the small amount of trackage in Vermont and the liberal laws of New York.

BECKER STRIKERS URGED TO RETURN

The state board of conciliation and arbitration today recommended to the Becker Milling Machine Company and to its employees that the strike now in force at the company's plant be suspended, that all employees who have been discharged or who have voluntarily left employment return to their positions, and that both parties by conferences make every possible effort to adjust their differences; failing in this, the board recommends that they have recourse to arbitration, either by the state board or by a special board of their own selection.

DEDHAM HIGH SCHOOL BIDS IN

DEDHAM, Mass.—C. S. Cunningham & Son Company of Boston submitted the lowest bid for the construction of the new high school here. Their figure was \$102,300. For the installation of heating and ventilating apparatus the lowest bid was that of Huey Brothers Company, Inc., of Boston, their figure being \$15,334. The bids were opened by the building committee, of which Samuel H. Capen is chairman. Fifteen contractors submitted estimates.

SUFFRAGE RALLIES TONIGHT

Open air suffrage rallies will be held at Heath square from 7:30 to 8:30 and at Huntington avenue and Waite streets from 8:30 to 9:30 under the auspices of the Boston Equal Suffrage Association. M. C. Harrison of the Harvard Law school will speak tonight. Other rallies will be held at Uphams Corner, Dorchester, from 7:30 to 8:30 p. m., and in Boston at the corner of Massachusetts and Westland avenues from 8:30 to 9:30 with Miss Jennie D. Lottman as speaker. Miss Margaret Foley will address the equal suffrage rally tonight at the corner of Elm street and Jefferson avenue in the Woodlawn section of Everett.

MONTH OF AUGUST SEES 256 MEETINGS IN SAN FRANCISCO

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Pacific Coast Bureau

SAN FRANCISCO—The month of August marks the zenith of a year already notable for its conventions in this city. Two hundred and fifty-six international, national and state organizations and societies will hold individual meetings of from one to 15 days duration between Aug. 1 and 30. These conventions are industrial, commercial, educational and technical in nature, and will be attended by many men and women of international prominence.

The convention of greatest importance will be that of the National Educational Association. Its sessions will be held in Oakland, just across San Francisco bay, and will extend over the period between Aug. 16 and Aug. 28, inclusive. Much of the work will be undertaken in departments, such as kindergarten education, rural and agricultural education, musical education, higher education, business education, preparation of teachers, etc. The attendance at this convention is expected to be the largest of any held so far. Definite figures are not obtainable, but delegates and visitors are expected to total 40,000 persons.

The thirty-third annual convention of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae will be held Aug. 16 to 23. Many members of the association have arranged to meet in Chicago early in August for a special tour of the Pacific coast under the auspices of the Bureau of University Travel.

More than 1000 delegates with their families are expected to attend the convention of the Associated Harvard Clubs of America which will be held Aug. 20-21. The delegates consist of alumni of Harvard University who are members of the various Harvard clubs, numbering 67 in the United States. Two hundred and fifty Harvard men with their families are coming upon the steamer Finland which left New York for San Francisco July 31, coming through the Panama canal.

An unique convention will be the fourteenth annual conference of the Chinese Students Alliance, western section, which will be held in Stiles hall, Berkeley, from Aug. 4 to 7. A general Chinese students' day will be celebrated at the exposition Aug. 4.

The North American Indian will have special attention in a number of conventions. A conference under the auspices of the Indian board of cooperation will be devoted largely to the problems of Pacific coast Indians. A number of tribesmen will be present to discuss the problems of their race. Principal speakers will be Dr. David Starr Jordan, Dr. Joseph K. Dixon of Philadelphia, leader of the Wampanoag expedition to the North American Indian; Congressman John E. Baker and Edward Hyatt, California state superintendent of public instruction. A congress of Indian progress, national in scope, will be held under the auspices of the Northern California Indian Association, Aug. 9 to 15.

The 9000 youthful members of the National Top Notch Farmers' Club have been appointed delegates to the universal corn convention and corn show, which will be held at San Francisco Aug. 5 and 6. Membership in this organization is earned by the boy or girl raising 100 or more bushels of corn to the acre. Corn culture will be the principal topic of discussion, and this convention is considered of importance in aiding in the solution of increased acreage production under intensive farming. An exhibit will be organized by each delegate bringing a dozen ears of corn for the purpose.

Many thousands of persons will be attracted to the exposition city by reason of the many conventions, and hotel accommodations will be severely taxed, but the experience during the past month of taking care of the Shriners and Elks, who arrived simultaneously, has demonstrated the ability of the hotel keepers to cope with the situation.

Much has been provided in the way of substantial entertainment of visitors by the exposition officials. The Boston band, Edwin Lemare organist; Cassasa's official band, the Philippine constabulary band and the Guatemalan band will provide music daily at the exposition.

HEARING ON NEW HAVEN BILL SET

Judge DeCourcy of the supreme court on Aug. 17 will hear and determine whether the bill filed on Saturday by Ralph S. Bartlett and other minority stockholders of the New Haven against former directors of that corporation, in which it is sought to have the respondents held liable for the expenditure of \$102,000,000, is in the nature of an amended bill, as intended by the court, or whether, in fact it is not a supplementary bill presenting new grounds not covered by the original bill.

Some of the lawyers are now ready to proceed but delay has been granted because Charles F. Choate and others had not had full opportunity to examine the new matter and determine as to their course of action.

BROOKLINE MEN ON BEACH OUTING

Brookline Board of Trade holds its second annual outing this afternoon at Nantasket. Plans were made for entertaining 200. The committee in charge arranged to have enough automobiles to carry the entire party, starting from Harvard square at 1:30 p. m. Others are to take the steamboat from Rowe's wharf, arriving in time for the dinner at 6. The committee in charge, consists of the following: W. D. Allen, A. E. Vogel, A. J. Meserve, Jr., Edward Sharp, Jr., H. L. Mills, W. W. Paige, George H. Hooper.

OWNERSHIP OF UTILITIES TO BE INVESTIGATED

Council Committee of Chicago to Undertake Examination for the Purpose of Adopting a Policy to Be Followed There

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Western Bureau

CHICAGO—This city is about to undertake what will probably be the most extensive investigation of public ownership of municipal utilities ever attempted by a community. The examination is being made by a council committee of nine aldermen. They are instructed to formulate a policy of municipal ownership for the city of Chicago. The report is due not later than the first of the year.

Chairman of the committee is Otto Kerner, who served as secretary of the committee bringing in the voluminous crime report. Prof. Charles E. Merriam of the University of Chicago, alderman from the seventh ward, is secretary. In the case of the crime investigation Alderman Merriam was chairman, so the committee's officers have changed places. The personnel of the new investigating body insures a comprehensive study of the problems.

What led to the formation of the municipal ownership inquiry and also its scope is best indicated, perhaps, in the phraseology of the ordinance creating it:

Whereas, The General Assembly of Illinois, in sessions of 1913 and 1915, has refused to grant to the city of Chicago the powers necessary and proper to regulate our municipal public utilities; and

Whereas, This action withholds from the city control over public services of vital importance to the community and deprives the council of powers which it should properly possess as a responsible representative body; and

Whereas, The General Assembly of 1913 conferred upon the city of Chicago the authority "to acquire, construct, own and operate any public utilities, the product or service of which, or major portion thereof, is or is to be supplied to the city or its inhabitants"; therefore, be it

Ordered, that the mayor be and he hereby is authorized and directed to appoint a committee of nine aldermen to investigate and report to this council, not later than Jan. 1, 1916, upon the feasibility and desirability of public ownership of municipal public utilities in Chicago; to consider particularly the various systems of public ownership, operation, partnership, or other like plans employed in various cities; to consider, in a comprehensive way, the problems and results of public ownership, including legal and financial questions; cost and quality of service rendered; improvement and extension of service; wages and working conditions of employees; liability to interruption of service by strikes or lockouts; effect upon the public interest in and attachment to the government.

In organizing for a thorough-going survey of the situation at home and abroad, the committee divided itself into three sub-committees. The first of these will examine into the possibilities of municipal ownership in Chicago. Its members are Harry E. Litter, chairman of the council committee on harbors, wharves and bridges. Robert M. Buck, secretary to Trustees Paulin and Clark of the sanitary district, and Mr. Merriam, who is the sub-committee's chairman.

"We will see what regulation is and what it is supposed to do," explained Mr. Merriam to a correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor, "as regards capital, rates, services, working conditions and so forth, to see how effective it is. Then we will take up public ownership, to see what it has done in the waterworks, garbage, direct day labor in the construction of tunnels, and otherwise."

"We will also make a study of the legal and financial powers of the city in regard to public ownership. This will be an inventory and appraisal of the Chicago situation."

The city's rights of regulation are at present somewhat cloudy. Up to the Legislature of 1913 Chicago had considerable authority to regulate, but in seeking to gain a larger measure of the "home rule"—local control of public service corporations—it lost what it had to the state public utilities commission. The division of authority is now vague.

"The state public utilities law of 1913 has so fixed it," remarks Alderman Merriam, "that we don't know what powers the city has left or how franchise agreements are affected. The state public utilities law has thrown us up in the air. The same session of the Legislature gave us broad legal powers, but not financial powers. The constitutionality of the act is involved in the 'Berwin' case, now awaiting settlement."

The city, under its old powers, has the right to regulate the service of street cars rather drastically, but it never has. To regulate the rates of the gas company, the telephone, and the Commonwealth Edison Electric Company, every five years. Council regulation of gas rates was a minor issue in the last mayoralty campaign. Mayor Thompson declared he would push, if elected, for 70 cent gas. That rate was set by ordinance in 1911 but the city was restrained from putting the ordinance into effect. Bureaus of telephones, gas, electricity, public service and local transportation are established. "We have all the machinery but we lost the power," observes Alderman Merriam.

"The second subcommittee will pursue the same things in other American cities," continued the committee's secretary. "This will not be as comprehensive an investigation as that within Chi-

cago but it will be typical. What advances toward municipal ownership in Cleveland, Boston and San Francisco, among others, will be looked into. A. A. McCormick, former president of the county board, is chairman of this committee. He has with him Aldermen Thomas A. Doyle and W. E. Rodriguez.

"The third committee is to see what light we can get from the European countries. Of course this can be only a general survey. We can get something, however, as to regulation, etc. Alderman John C. Kennedy is chairman. He made a special trip to Europe two years ago to collect such information. Alderman George Pretzel, a German, and Alderman Otto Kerner, a Bohemian, are the other members of the committee. Their experience abroad should help them."

"We will work until the middle of September, then arrange for public hearings, then the whole committee will hold sessions to recommend a policy for the city to follow."

Two of the committee, Rodriguez and Kennedy, are socialists. The latter was a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago for a time and is now prominent in socialist activities in this city. Asked as to his own previous thought on municipal ownership Alderman Merriam said that he always took the position that it was not an abstract question but was to be decided by each city and utility.

REFERENDUM IN WASHINGTON TO BE HAD ON LAWS

Seven Bills Passed at the Last Session of the Legislature to Be Voted on by the People

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Pacific Coast Bureau

SEATTLE, Wash.—Seven bills passed by the latest legislature of the state of Washington have had the referendum invoked on them and will be given to the people for final passage at the Nov. 7 election of 1916. The bills in question called for the signing of initiative and referendum petitions at the place of registration, the signing of recall petitions at the place of registration, party conventions, anti-picketing regulation, certificate of necessity for new public utilities, port districts and their government and the budget system of taxation.

The bills providing for the signing of petitions and for party conventions were passed by the Legislature over the veto of the Governor. The referendum was invoked by the Referendum League and the joint legislative committee. A total of approximately 19,000 signatures was necessary to refer the measures, but the single petition bearing the least number of signatures was the anti-picketing bill which had 34,524 names. The greatest number of names, 51,815, was affixed to the petition touching the initiative and referendum questions.

It is held that final passage of the initiative and referendum measure would annul their usefulness and make them of small avail. The proposed amendments to the law make it necessary for all initiative and referendum petitions to be signed at the registration office of any city, town or precinct. Further the circulation of petitions or efforts to secure signatures, with or without compensation, is made a gross misdemeanor. The active circulation of petitions is considered the only way in which the lethargy of many people toward participation in questions of importance may be overcome. The measure is practically the same as one defeated in the recent Oregon Legislature. The vital changes proposed in the recall law are the same as those in the previous measure. Both bills were passed over the veto of the Governor.

The third bill passed by the Legislature contrary to the Governor's veto was the one pertaining to the holding of party conventions prior to the primary. It is claimed that the ultimate effect of the amended measure to conventionalize the primary would be a complete return to the old convention system. In order to get on the ballot, the bill makes it necessary for the candidate to enter the convention, make known his party affiliations and pledge himself to the acceptance and endorsement of the platform outlined by his political party. Candidates for the office of supreme and superior court judges, however, are to be published without party designation. A similar measure presented under the form of an assembly was rejected by the people of Oregon.

The budget measure provides that the governing officials of all counties, cities, towns, port districts, school districts and metropolitan park districts shall prepare an itemized estimate of all expenditures required for the ensuing year. That the taxpayer is able to know in advance how much tax is to be levied and what the money is to be spent for, is considered one of the strong features of such a measure.

Another measure to be voted upon by the people is an act defining port districts of the first class and providing for their government by a board of port commissioners, comprised of seven members. The anti-picketing law prohibits the carrying of banners or in any way advertising directly or indirectly any controversy between any labor organization, or any of its members, and any person engaged in lawful business.

What is called the certificate of necessity bill says that no new public utility to render service similar in character and location to service rendered by any existing public utility may operate in the state without first obtaining a certificate of public necessity and convenience from the public service commission. The act defines public utilities as every street railway and street railroad, interurban railroad and interurban railway, electric gas, water and steam heating plant used to serve the public for compensation whether municipally or privately owned.

MORE TEACHING ON INDUSTRIAL LINES PLANNED

Boston Changes in Staff Indicate Extension in These Courses and Very Little of the Strictly Manual Training Work

Extension of industrial work is expected to mark next year's progress in the Boston public schools. The promotion of John C. Brodhead from assistant to associate director of the department of manual arts is for the purpose of giving him all his time and making him solely responsible for this feature of the school system to which, heretofore, he has been able to give but a part of his time.

In the reorganization of the department, Edward C. Emerson, now assistant director, will devote himself to the work of the pre-vocational centers, George M. Morris, instructor of manual arts at the Dorchester high school, has been made acting assistant and assigned to industrial work in the elementary schools.

Mr. Brodhead will give special attention to high schools expecting to establish industrial courses in the West Roxbury, Brighton, East Boston and Dorchester high schools next September. They are already established in the Hyde Park high school. The new ones will be conducted along the same lines as those at Hyde Park. The work will be very similar to that of the pre-vocational centers but more mature. In the first year the pupils will be given no outside work but will be prepared to go into the shops at the close of school in June. From that time on to graduation day they will be given part time in the school and part in outside shops during term time and full shop time in vacations. Academic studies will be closely correlated with the shop, mathematics, natural science and English being quite different from those given to pupils taking the regular courses.

Four new pre-vocational centers will be opened for elementary school pupils, one in the Agassiz district, Jamaica Plain, one in the Miles Standish school house, Dudley district, Roxbury, in the Abram E. Cutter school house, Prescott district, Charlestown, and in the Parkman school house, Lawrence district, South Boston. At the Agassiz center, instruction will be given in box making, wood working and printing; at the Miles Standish in machine shop practice, electricity, painting and lettering; at the Abram E. Cutter, heavy wood working and electricity; at the Parkman, electricity, heavy wood working and machine shop practice. Hereafter there will be very little strictly manual training work in the schools.

Mr. Brodhead reports that so far he has been successful in finding suitable shop instructors, men who have come out of trades and had two or three years' experience in teaching, and are, in addition, the type of men that is wanted to place over boys. Most of the instructors now in the service are preparing to improve their work during the summer. Those who have not had college training have arranged to take summer courses in academics at Harvard or elsewhere, while those who have had that privilege are going back into the trades for the summer in order to get into close touch once more with the industries for the benefit of the pupils next year.

PALO ALTO SCHOOL HEAD NAMED

PALO ALTO, Cal.—Walter H. Nichols of Pasadena, Cal., has been chosen head of the Palo Alto public schools and principal of the high schools by the board of education. Mr. Nichols, the San Francisco Bulletin notes, is a graduate of the University of Michigan. He took his master of arts degree at Columbia University and has been professor of history and economics in the University of Colorado.

TEACHERS APPOINTED TO NORMAL SCHOOL

KAYS, Kan.—Changes in the faculty of the Fort Hays Kansas Normal school have been announced. The faculty will be increased by five members and one new department will be added. Miss Georgina Wooten will become professor of public school art and head of this department. Other new members will be E. E. Coyer, who will become assistant professor in mathematics, and Miss Helen M. Hockersmith, who becomes assistant professor of home economics.

MILITIA COMPANY REORGANIZED SHERMAN, Tex.—Company C, fourth infantry, Texas national guard, known as the Sherman Rifles, has been reorganized. The company is drilling nightly, preparing for the annual encampment which will be held at Dallas, beginning Aug. 10. The officers, a roster of whom is given in the Dallas News, include: Albert McLeland, first lieutenant and commanding officer; R. M. Tucker, second lieutenant; J. W. Sherman, first sergeant.

FT. WORTH SCHOOL HEAD NAMED FT. WORTH, Tex.—M. H. Moore, who has served as assistant city superintendent of public schools for the last year, was chosen city superintendent by the school board to succeed J. W. Cantwell, who resigned recently to accept the position of president of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, says the Dallas News.



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COBURN PLAYERS IN "MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM"

Again the Coburn players were obliged to take refuge in Sanders theater, Cambridge, last night, although the play of the evening, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," was one which they were especially eager to give out of doors. But to those in the audience who brought to the performance a genuine interest, there was at least presented thereby the unexpected advantage of seeing the masque given in much the manner of Shakespeare's own time.

It was with such a simple setting, however, that a comparison with the elaborate productions that have been given us of late was more or less inevitable. And because of this it was far too noticeable how under the bare stage conditions the dramatic machinery of the piece becomes apparent with a clarity that can be realized only by the student of construction. It would seem, after all, that we of the present day must have our soft and colored lightings and our canvas forests, at least when we are being led along the road to fairyland. Do we believe in fairies? Only when the stage carpenter and the electrician tell us about them, it would seem.

It was interesting to note last evening however, how much the introduction of the troops of fairies and the attendant flood of poetry has meant to Shakespeare, solving all his dramatic difficulties, bridging over his awkward passages and holding us in the lure of its happy and fanciful mood without intermission. Stepping into fairyland, Shakespeare, for all his worldly wisdom, so deftly caught in cunning phrase, came into his own, and by taking his audience with him, he found a cheerful credulity that oftentimes his involved and over-contrived plots would weary.

It was interesting, too, to see how, in thus studying the construction with the progress of the play, the imaginative elements took it in hand more and more, indeed becoming more real to us than the story of the Athenian lovers. It is this so evident imaginative, blithe mood of the piece that leads one to believe that it was written, surely, like "Love's Labor Lost" and "The Tempest" for some festive occasion of the court of Shakespeare's time, and presented, not on a stage, but on some open terrace of a royal palace, lit by a summer's moon. Divorced from such occasion, we must replace the festive mood and the open terrace, then with other aids of setting, lighting and music. A midsummer night, in the woodland, under the moon, this is its motif and this the guide for its presentation.

The performance of the Coburn players last evening was adequately good throughout. Mr. Coburn has with him this year a group of players who, though they seem to be for the most part still on the first rung of the dramatic ladder, for this reason bring to their lines a very evident relish, and an interest that supplies more power to their skill and an aid to their lack.

This afternoon the performance is Moliere's "Le Malade Imaginaire," and this evening "Macbeth," both to be given either in the Harvard yard or Sanders theater.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT NAMED GLOUCESTER, Mass.—John D. Brooks of Newburyport was elected superintendent of schools by the school committee Tuesday night. He succeeds Freeman Putney, who has resigned.

B. & M. OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES CONFER

Another conference has been arranged for today between officials of the Boston & Maine railroad and a committee representing the Boston & Maine council of the Federation of Railway Workers relative to demands of the employees, for pay for Saturday half holidays during July and August. A conference was held yesterday afternoon, but no statement would be given out by either the road or the employees' committee pending today's meeting. The men have voted to strike in case satisfactory settlement is not reached.

Seven plate glass and sash manufacturers signed an agreement with the Glaziers Union Tuesday and 50 employees at their shops returned to work. There are still 175 men on strike at 12 other shops in Boston.

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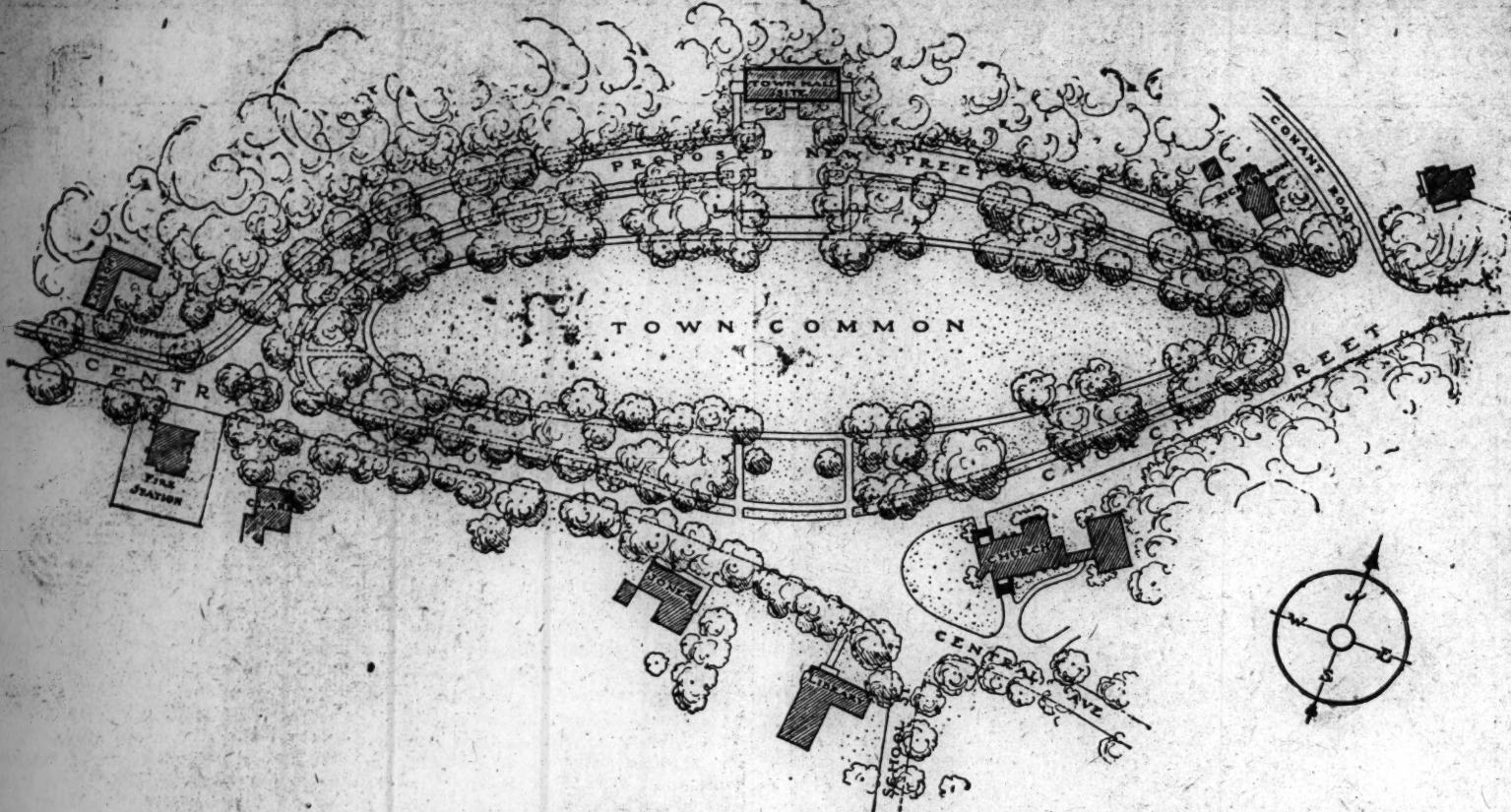
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Revised plan for Weston's town center showing the new common and site upon which new town hall is to be erected

WESTON'S NEW TOWN CENTER IS UNDER WAY

(Continued from page one)

house, the library, the ancient Jones mansion and the new attractive fire station built in colonial style, under the direction of Alexander Jenney.

"This town common project of Weston," says Mr. Shurtleff, "indicates determination on the part of the town to secure a fine setting for its new hall and at the same time to create an open space in the heart of the community, sufficiently large to count as an important center in the years to come and at the same time to prevent the growth of a slum district where such an inroad would be fatal to the appearance and best development of the town."

Almost all the trees in the proposed development exist at the present time, many of them being fine old elms. The common, of oval shape, will be treated simply as an open space of grass with very little shrubbery and, probably no flowers in order to retain the special character denoted by the name "common" as distinguishing it from a garden or park.

SCHOOLS HELP IN GOOD ROADS WORK

DUNCAN, Okla.—There was a large gathering here recently of good roads enthusiasts from all parts of Stephens county for the third and final rally. The occasion was the awarding of prizes in the educational mile of good roads contest, which was inaugurated by County Superintendent Morton. State Highway Commissioner Suggs of Ardmore and President Charles Evans of the Central state normal of Edmond were the principal speakers of the day.

Thirty of the 75 school districts in the county entered the contest, and 18 of the number were competitors for the prizes, having completed their mile of road.

So far as known, the idea of having the schools build good roads is original with County Superintendent Morton. He conceived the idea last fall, and interested the schools in the movement by having the towns offer prizes for the three best miles of road in each commissioner's district. He secured the assistance of the highway commissioner and the roads were gone over and surveyed and the prizes awarded by committees. State Highway Commissioner Suggs is enthusiastic over the work accomplished.

It is considered remarkable that some of the schools which won prizes in the contest were presided over by young women teachers, says the Dallas News, and much interest was manifested when their great work was announced. The work will be continued next year, and instead of 30 miles of road built it is expected that 75 miles will be the record.

FLOWER SHOW PLANNED

There will be an exhibit of gladioli, phloxes, China asters and other seasonal annual flowering plants at Horticultural hall next Saturday and Sunday under the auspices of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. The exhibition is to be free and will be open from 12 until 6 p. m. Saturday and from 2 to 6 p. m. on Sunday.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S OUTING

Business Women's Club of Boston is planning a trip to Blue Hill Saturday, with Miss M. M. Webber and Miss M. R. Kendrick as leaders. The party will leave Boston early in the afternoon, climb Blue Hill and have a picnic supper at Housick-Whisk pond.

REGISTERED MAIL TO BE USED

WASHINGTON—All government money and securities after Aug. 16 will be transported by registered mail instead of by express. The express companies, which have been handling the traffic more than 35 years, will lose, it is estimated, nearly \$500,000 a year.

GOES TO QUINCY Y. M. C. A.

Charles H. Booth, membership and social secretary of the Cambridge Y. M. C. A., has accepted a position as boys' secretary of the Quincy Y. M. C. A., his services to begin Oct. 15.

BOSTON MAN IS SLATED FOR APPLE SHIPPERS' LEADER

Edgar W. J. Hearty Probably to Be Elected President of Association at Chicago Meeting

Edgar W. J. Hearty, a Boston man, is slated to be the next president of the International Apple Shippers' Association. He is now in Chicago to attend with other Bostonians, the sessions of the organization's twenty-first annual meeting at the Hotel Sherman beginning today and continuing through Friday.

Mr. Hearty is vice-president of the association and is expected to succeed R. H. Pennington of Evansville, Ind., as president.

Among others from Boston attending the convention are A. Warren Patch, chairman of the executive committee; G. H. Taylor, member of the committee on transportation, and Cecil Cummings. The convention attracts to Chicago apple shippers from many parts of the country, New England, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Louisiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota and other states. In connection with the business sessions there has been arranged an exhibition of apples.

Exhibitors from many sections of the United States have entered the contest for which prizes are provided. There are four general classes and the two exhibits scoring the highest in each group will be selected to form the special class for the sweepstakes prizes, for which a silver cup, designated the President's cup, will be awarded. The purpose of the exhibit is to show the development and condition of the commercial varieties in the various sections of the country at this season of the year.

This year's apple crop conditions will be discussed at the various sessions. Estimates as to its size vary, some looking for a crop nearly equaling the record-breaking crop of last year, while others are more conservative. Another important topic to be brought up will be a discussion of ocean freight rates which have advanced in some cases as much as 50 per cent. The quotation confronting the apple shippers is to determine if the advanced rates are to prohibit transoceanic apple trade this year.

APPLE MEN TO CONSIDER EXPORTS

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Western Bureau

CHICAGO—The situation confronting the export apple shippers through the war will be one of the chief problems brought up at the twenty-first annual meeting of the International Apple Shippers Association which convenes in this city Wednesday for three days. In normal times the foreign apple trade takes between 2,500,000 and 4,000,000 barrels, constituting about one tenth of the business of the shippers. Up to the present time no great difficulty has been experienced in sending apples abroad, for the war broke out when the shippers were in convention in Boston a year ago and they immediately secured rates holding up to the first of May. This special rate having expired, shipping abroad can be done now only at such a cost as to embarrass the American apple men.

Out of this state of affairs it seems probable that considerable discussion will come on the American merchant marine. The report of the ocean transportation committee will be presented by W. M. French of New York. Usual local problems such as demurrage rules, clean bills of lading, estimated weights and storage-in-transit will be discussed and a report on domestic transportation made by D. S. Beckwith of Albion, N. Y.

Progress of the national apple day, now three years old, will be reported and a new cup for the city making the best showing again put up. The prize this year went to Cincinnati. F. E. Wagner of Chicago will speak as chairman of the National Apple Day trophy, while E. H. Jennings of Roanoke, Va., chairman of the publicity committee for the day, will bring in a report. The founder of the day, James Handly of Quincy, Ill., secretary of the Mississippi Valley Apple Growers Association, will make an address on "The Apple in Commerce."

NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE SESSION PLANS COMPLETE

Gov. David I. Walsh is to welcome to Boston some 700 delegates to the convention of the National Negro Business League at the opening session in Symphony hall Wednesday, Aug. 18. The sessions continue through Aug. 20. Dr. Booker T. Washington, president of the organization, will deliver his annual address on the opening night. He will deal with the progress made by the negro race since the first league was organized in Boston 15 years ago.

All sessions, excepting the opening one, will be held at Convention hall, Garrison and St. Botolph streets, at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. each day. These meetings will be public. The Boston Business League is in charge of the convention arrangements. It has prepared a reception and dinner in Convention hall on the concluding night of the gathering.

Numerous social attractions also have been planned for the visiting delegates who are to come here from all sections of the United States, representing some 600 commercial organizations of negroes in this country. There will be a trolley ride to historic places about Boston on the second day of the convention.

On the concluding day there will be a steamboat trip down Boston harbor and a visit to one of the large downtown department stores. It is expected to be the most important annual gathering the national organization has held.

AIMS OF LABOR CONGRESS NOTED

SAN FRANCISCO—The business sessions of the labor conference that has brought to this city labor leaders and state, federal and municipal labor and immigration officials to confer with Secretary of Labor Wilson, began Tuesday. The aims of the conference as set forth by Secretary Wilson are:

Settlement of industrial difficulties by an industrial peace agreement based on industrial justice.

Bringing the man and the job and the man and the land together.

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Cooperation between state, municipal and federal governments in handling the immigration problems and solving the labor questions.

Prevention of economic waste as a result of industrial strife.

PROHIBITION LEADS IN VIRGINIA PRIMARY

RICHMOND, Va.—Returns from Tuesday's state-wide primaries for nomination to the General Assembly, which will provide the machinery for the new prohibition law, indicate that the "dry" have won and will have a working majority in both branches of the General Assembly.

The next assembly will have as one of its duties the framing of laws to carry out the provisions of the enabling act passed at a general election last year.

Mr. Cushing in his address said that New England ideas of government have been carried all over the country by pioneers who have gone out and settled new communities.

TAX RATES IN TWO TOWNS DECREASED

A tax rate of \$29.50, a decrease of \$3.10 from last year is announced by the Saugus board of assessors. The general reduction in appropriations at the March town meeting is said to have made the lower rate possible.

Wenham's tax rate will be \$7.60 this year, a reduction of 40 cents from last year though the state and county taxes have been increased.

WHITMAN TAX RATE LOWER

WHITMAN, Mass.—The assessors announce that the tax rate this year will be \$24.80, against \$22.00 in 1914. The total valuation of the town is \$5,745,338, an increase of \$111,000 from last year. The number of polls assessed is 2207.

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WINCHESTER TAX DETAILS GIVEN

In announcing an 18 tax rate for Winchester for the coming year the assessors show that the total valuation of property this year is \$18,895,500 against \$18,631,500 last year. The rate last year was \$17.40. The value of buildings in the town is placed this year at \$8,430,850; the value of land \$5,433,375; value of personal property \$4,991,275, the latter representing a decrease over last year when the value was placed at \$5,402,775. Expenses estimated for this year are \$344,651, less an estimated revenue of \$93,000. This figure is compared with expenses last year amounting to \$320,232, and with an expense in 1913 totaling only \$290,706. Winchester this year will pay a state tax of \$34,125, metropolitan park tax of \$10,254, county tax of \$17,742 and a town tax of \$856,558.

CARMEN'S HEARING BEGINS

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—The first of the members of the Carmen's union called to testify before the board of arbitration hearing in the dispute between the Rhode Island Company and its employees in regard to wages and hours of work for spare men took the stand yesterday afternoon. The testimony outlined the difficulties with which a conductor meets in his daily routine of duty. Christopher Daniels, secretary of the union, was the first man called and continues his testimony this morning.



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President Calvin Coolidge of the Massachusetts Senate, who is campaigning for the Republican nomination for Lieutenant-Governor, says that the withdrawal of Col. August H. Goetting of Springfield from the field of candidates for the second place nomination has tended to cement the Republicans of western Massachusetts in support of the former. Mr. Coolidge resides in Northampton.

On the other hand, Councilor Guy Ham of Boston, the only present opponent of Mr. Coolidge, is said in political circles to be drawing a big following from eastern Massachusetts.

Plans have been completed for the annual outing of the Young Men's Republican Club of Dorchester. This year it is to be augmented by the Republican ward committees of wards 20 and 21. It is planned to go to Nantasket beach on Saturday on the 1:15 boat from Ropes wharf. Dinner will be served at the Hotel Napoli and speaking will follow.

The speakers and invited guests are to include the following: United States Senator John W. Weeks, Lieut. Gov. Grafton D. Cushing, President Coolidge, Councilor Ham, Albert P. Langtry, secretary of the commonwealth, Charles L. Burrill, state treasurer, and Alonzo B. Cook, the state auditor.

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ENROLLMENT AT B. U. INDICATES LARGE INCREASE

Advance Information From College Year Book Shows the Record Mark of 2060 Persons

Enrollment at Boston University this year, including that in the summer school, reached the record mark of 2060 for the institution, according to advanced information from the college year book, which is to be issued this week. This number is 52 per cent larger than that of five years ago, when the total enrollment was 1347.

The large increase is due in part to the formation of two entirely new departments in the university, the college of business administration and the summer school. The gain this year over last is 203, of which 104 is in the college of business administration and the remainder in the summer school, which numbers 141.

A slight increase in the teachers courses in the college of liberal arts, added to these other gains, more than offsets the slight decreases in other departments.

Prof. Harry C. Bentley, formerly dean of the school of commerce and finance of the Y. M. C. A., has already undertaken his duties as head of the department of accounting in the college of business administration. An advanced copy of the Bostonian, a quarterly magazine sent to the alumni of the university, will say:

"During the past five years the total annual income of the university has increased 76 per cent. For the past three years there has been no deficiency in current expenses. This financial showing, which is the outcome of the most rigid and minute economy, is largely due to the annual contributions of nearly 600 graduates, trustees, and patrons of the university."

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OUTING IS ARRANGED

WALTHAM, Mass.—The Board of Trade will hold its annual outing at Nahant on Aug. 17. The trip will be made by automobile. Athletic events, dinner and speaking are on the program.

MAYOR IS READY TO CONFER WITH FINANCE BOARD

Chief Executive Says He Will Not Change Order Relative to Appearance of City Employees

While consenting to meet the finance commission in conference, where differences of opinion on municipal questions might be discussed, Mayor Curley, in a communication to the commission, last night declared he would not change his order directing city employees to refuse to testify before that board unless accompanied by some attorney from the city law department.

The mayor said today that he has been in communication with the Boston finance commission and it has agreed not to issue periodical statements for publication in the press Sundays. The mayor said he is to meet John R. Murphy, chairman of the finance commission, sometime this week and work out a constructive program for Boston.

The mayor says that if it is shown he has no legal right to direct city employees not to testify before the finance commission unless accompanied by counsel and furnished with transcripts of their testimony he, at least, can advise city employees as to their protection when testifying before the state-established finance commission. The mayor concludes his statement by saying:

"In conclusion, I have noted the commission's request for a conference and I assure you I am ready to attend, for I believe the subject requires full and free discussion, not only in the interest of the witnesses who appear before the commission, but also for the welfare of the city, which we are both pledged to promote."

"Whatever progress has been made toward good government in other cities has been due to a spirit of cooperation in constructive effort, and if you join with me in constructive effort for the benefit of the city, I am confident that such results will be procured as to make a policy of criticism on minor points seem to be a total loss of time and energy."

More than 200 volumes of election department enrollment records were burned at city hall annex yesterday by the election board as a result of the ruling by Corporation Counsel Sullivan that the act abolishing party enrollment makes these records of a confidential nature.

Rose Drive Proposed

Mayor Curley is considering instructing the park and recreation department to establish a "rose driveway" in Jamaica-way between Center and Pond streets modeled after the famous rose drives of the West. He also plans to have a rose drive established in Franklin park not less than five miles in length.

Mayor Curley, Chairman James P. Timilty and members of the Democratic city committee met secretly at the Parker House yesterday, where it was learned later in the day preliminary plans were made for recovering the city council through the nomination of three Democrats, with Councilman James A. Watson at the head of the ticket. Mayor Curley and Chairman Timilty are considering what Democrats may be named and also methods whereby the party in Boston may be restored to complete harmony.

MUSICAL TONIGHT

The Women's City Club will have a garden musicale tonight from 7:30 to 8:30 at the clubhouse, provided by the Grieg trio.



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Oysters Will Soon Be Welcomed Back to the Menu

September marks the annual return of oysters to the menu, and they are always most welcome. No other viand seems to take just their place, though the clam does his best to fill in the vacation period. Oysters are not only serviceable used on the half shell, in sauce, roasted, stewed and fried, but in numberless ways they may be prepared to form a course by themselves or as entree, canape, soup, chowder and other dishes famous in different localities.

If one has a cool cellar in which they may be stored, they are better when bought in quantity in the shell and they will keep for a long time covered with damp seaweed or sprinkled with wet cornmeal. If this is impossible, they should be opened by the fish dealer in order that the customer may have them at their best.

The oyster requires very little cooking, and if used in a stew it should only be dropped in for a couple of minutes until the beard curls, then removed instantly from the fire. If the oysters are to be broiled, the gridiron should be thoroughly warmed through, so that they may cook quickly without drying when they are put over the heat. If they are fried, the batter should be very delicate and the fat very hot, so that they may fry quickly. The habit of adding cornmeal to the batter makes too coarse and heavy a coating for the delicate texture of the oyster. They are best when simply dusted with fine cracker crumbs just before being dropped into the hot fat, using no batter at all. As the housewife is always glad to add to her stock of tested and tried oyster recipes, those here given may interest her.

Oyster Loaf—This is a very decorative dish and pretty for the Sunday night supper or a luncheon party. Take one well-shaped loaf of baker's bread, slice off the top lengthways, carefully remove the crumb from it and draw through two little slits a wide white satin ribbon which ties in a big bow on the top. Doffly hollow out the bottom of the loaf, leaving a quarter-inch crust entirely around and on the bottom of the loaf. Crumple tissue paper and fill the loaf with it, put on the cover and set it aside in a cool place; this is done so that the loaf will not lose its shape. When ready for service remove the paper, fill the loaf with rich creamed oysters and send to the table garnished with parsley.

Tomatoes, Oyster Filling—Take as many large firm tomatoes as there are portions to be served, cut and hollow out the stem end. Take enough small bluepoint oysters to allow four to each tomato, add for each four oysters a teaspoon of bread crumbs, a half teaspoon of grated cheese, a few drops of onion juice and half a teaspoon of finely chopped celery. Fill the tomatoes with the mixture, place them in a buttered baking dish and turn over each a teaspoon of melted butter; dust lightly with a little bit of flour and bake until tender, but not until the tomato falls. Garnish with fried parsley. This is an excellent dish to serve with the fish course.

Baked Oyster Newburg—Make a rich Newburg sauce, and when it is thoroughly smooth and at boiling point add a solid quart of oysters that have been carefully wiped dry on a linen towel. Let them boil up once, then turn into a buttered casserole baking dish, sprinkle over the top a tablespoon of very fine bread crumbs, a tablespoon of grated English cheese and a little paprika, and brown lightly in the oven. Serve hot or cold with hot biscuits and fresh butter.

Oyster and Corn Scallop—Cut the kernels from eight ears of fresh, tender corn, add to them two gills of melted butter, one gill of sweet cream, two tablespoons of sugar, pepper and salt and two well beaten eggs. Butter a baking dish, put in a layer of the corn, then a layer of oysters. Have ready four slices of pickled pork that has been diced and fried a delicate brown, dot the oysters with the pork and dust with a tablespoon of fine bread crumbs; put on another layer of the corn mixture, then the oysters and pork with the crumbs, and so on until the dish is filled. If the dish seems a little dry add a little more sweet cream, then dust the top lightly with grated cheese and bake.

Oyster Peppers—Select large green bull-nosed peppers, split them lengthwise, take out the pepper cone and throw the shells into cold water; take one pair of sweetbreads, parboil them

until tender, dice them very fine and add a pint of solid oysters to them, with two gills of melted butter, a small cup of dry bread crumbs, two tablespoons of chutney sirup, two tablespoons of finely chopped celery, pepper, salt, two beaten eggs and a gill of cream. Dry the pepper shells, fill them with the mixture, place them in a buttered baking dish and bake half an hour or a little more according to the oven, but do not bake them long enough to lose their shape.

Oyster Canapes—Spread lightly toast rounds with anchovy paste. Wipe the oysters dry, then let them marinate for 10 minutes in a good sauce, lift them out coated with the sauce and allow three to each toast round. Garnish with olive curls.

Oyster Pie—Line a deep pie plate with pie crust. Make a cream sauce, not too thick, and put into it a pint of solid oysters. Fill the pie with the creamed oysters, put on the top crust and bake a delicate brown. This makes a very nice entree. Cut the pie in squares instead of the usual wedge-shaped pieces, and serve a tablespoon of whipped cream on top of each portion, dusting with a little pepper and salt.

Oyster Croquettes—Take three dozen fresh oysters, strain off the liquor and set it aside. Chop the oysters and mix them with an equal quantity of cold boiled, chopped chicken and six chopped mushrooms. Put them into a saucepan, add the liquor and one teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce, two beaten eggs, and two tablespoons of cream, salt and pepper to taste. Stir and cook until the mixture thickens, then set it aside to cool. When cold form into croquettes, roll in egg and cracker dust, fry in hot fat and serve garnished with parsley and crisp slices of fried bacon.

Oyster Salad—Select one quart of solid oysters, and when their liquor comes to a boil add the oysters. When they boil up once remove the oysters, drain and cool. Take three egg yolks, half a cup of butter, half a cup of sugar, half a cup of vinegar and a tablespoon of dry mustard. Stir the ingredients over the fire until the eggs begin to thicken, then remove from the fire but keep stirring for two minutes or until the mixture is thoroughly smooth. Shred the hearts of two heads of white lettuce and mix one cup of finely chopped celery with the oysters. When the dressing is cold lay up the salad and garnish with olives and a little chopped red pepper. If the oysters are large they may be cut through once or twice.

Oyster Marmalade—Take one pint of solid oysters and a half pint of fresh boiled shrimp; cut the shrimp in pieces and add them to the oysters with three quarters of a cup of bread crumbs, two tablespoons of ketchup, a tablespoon of Worcestershire sauce, a tablespoon of chutney sirup, a gill of melted butter, a tablespoon of chopped celery and the juice of an onion, one small red pepper finely chopped, pepper and salt and a tablespoon of whipped cream to bind the mixture, put a little butter in dots on the top and bake a delicate brown.

Oyster Sandwich—Take a pint of oysters, drain and let the liquor come to a boil. When it boils, drop in the oysters, let them stay until the beard curls, then remove from the fire and drain. Let the oysters get cold, but do not chill them. When ready to lay up the sandwiches, mix the oysters with heavy mayonnaise and lay four oysters on the sandwich square. After laying on the top slice cut it square and garnish with cross strips of red pepper.

QUARTER CENTURY'S MODES REVIEW

Reviewing the changes in fashions in the last 25 years, a writer for the *Gentleman* (London) says:

From 1890 to 1895 skirts continued to get wider and sleeves fuller. Then a reaction set in, and in the summer of 1897 all that remained of the sleeve puff was a small one at the top of the arm. This was probably due to the influence of the tailor-made, which at that time was chiefly built with a plain full skirt touching the ground, and a short, semi-fitting coat with sleeves that were extraordinarily tight and plain in comparison with their immediate predecessors.

The wide spreading skirt of that day gradually gave way to a shaped skirt which clung to the figure as far as the knees and then fell into long folds at the back, which swept the ground. Close-fitting sleeves were still worn and the fashions of the day (1899) would not have been ungraceful had it not been for the tightly nipped in waist which still prevailed.

At the beginning of this century long-trained skirts were worn on all occasions, blouses had come into favor and flower trimmed toques and hats of medium size were to the fore, while waists, though still small, were not so hideously pinched as heretofore.

The autumn of 1903 witnessed a distinct revolt against the over-elabora-

GOWNS WITH FASHIONABLE SCALLOPS

Scallops are in every way conspicuous just now, and midsummer gowns that are scalloped are among the smartest of the season. This one, made all of white taffeta, save for the chemisette and collar which are of double crepe de chine finished with narrow lace on the edges, is very dainty and attractive. The ruffles are made of taffeta, and the girdle is of black velvet ribbon.

Cotton and linen fabrics are charming, and moiré linen is new and quite soft enough in finish to be used for this purpose, although in place of the ruffles it would be well to bind the edges with the material cut bias or with braid. For the chemisette could be used linen or any thinner material and organdie would be essentially dainty and attractive.

The chemisette portions and the flaring collar are made together, and are stitched to the blouse beneath its edges.

The three-piece skirt can be made straight in place of scalloped, but scallops are liked, and are certainly pretty,

tion of the so-called tailor-made, and a more severe style—that is to say, severe by comparison—was introduced, the best models showing a skirt that just cleared the ground, with a small sleeved, close-fitting coat. This innovation was short-lived, and the fashions of the following year were characterized by great lavishness of detail. Frocks and cloaks were cut on very ample lines and most elaborately adorned with frills, laces, bows, appliques, ruffles, flowers, etc. Hats, too, were large, over-trimmed, and most unwieldy.

Gradually woman ceased to care for this over-elaboration and there followed a period of draped frocks, tunic skirts, princess robes, elbow and cape sleeves and bolero coats. The year 1900 stands out as a conspicuous date in the history of fashion, for English women then began to realize the importance of the corset and to admire the waist of normal measurement. The princess frock, the short as well as the long version, was seen at its best and a becoming combination of the tunic and princess came into its own. From that period onward fashion has greatly improved in many respects, and today there is a recognized style of dress for every occasion. Of course, each season sees certain eccentricities, but as a rule these are of short duration, for they do not appeal to the woman of refined taste.

whether they are edged with ruffles or ruches or are simply bound.

If a silk gown is wanted and taffeta is not liked, faille could be made in just the same way or pongee or foulard, or



one of the oriental crêpes that are so much liked this season, and which are a little heavier than crêpe de chine, are well adapted to this gown. For the medium size will be required 8 1/2 yards of material 27 inches wide, 6 1/2 yards 36, 5 1/2 yards 44, with 3/4 of a yard 27 for the chemisette and collar; 1 1/2 yards 36 for the ruche. The pattern (No. 8702) is cut in sizes from 34 to 42 inches bust measure. It can be bought at any May Manton agency, or will be sent by mail. Address 102 West Thirty-second street, New York, or Masonic Temple, Chicago.



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AIRY, SERVICEABLE DANCING FROCK

All in black is the dancing dress shown in the accompanying photograph. It combines practicality and airiness in a manner calculated to endear it to the girl who dances often and late. The black net overdress, laid in box plaits which give it a crisp irregularity at the bottom, is finished with a narrow binding of black taffeta, below which is a

diaphanous inch or two of the plain net. The underdress is of pussy willow taffeta, as also is the bodice, which is simply draped in old-fashioned basque fashion. The girdle ties in rabbit ear bows in front. The sleeves are of the black net, slightly wrinkled, and four narrow straps of the taffeta form a shoulder band.

DISHES WITH ODD NAMES

Odd dishes are often nice to serve at a luncheon or dinner party. Novelty arouses interest; so to the hostess who entertains more or less, the following recipes may be welcome, while the oddity of their names will in no way affect the goodness of the dishes.

Brown Bread Ice Cream—Take two ounces of brown bread crumbs, pour over them a pint of boiling milk, four ounces of sugar, a tablespoon of vanilla and one and a half teaspoons of powdered gelatin. Stir until all is perfectly dissolved. When cool add a half pint of cream and a half cup of ginger sirup. Turn into the freezer and freeze.

Pop Corn Pudding—Dissolve one and a half ounces of powdered gelatin in two cups of hot water, then add one cup of sugar, two cups of milk, one cupful of chopped pop corn, and cook for a few minutes. Cool and add the strained juice of three oranges, one gill of cream and the whites of three eggs, beaten stiff. Beat all together until cool and then pour into a wet mold. Turn out and serve with whipped cream to which have been added a dozen dry powdered macaroons, a teaspoon of vanilla and a tablespoon of powdered sugar.

Fairy Butter—Take the yolks of two hard boiled eggs and beat them smooth to a paste with one tablespoon of orange flower water and two tablespoons of powdered sugar. When thoroughly smooth add them to one quarter pound of fresh butter and work all into a smooth paste; when blended, put into a strong cheese-cloth square that has been wrung out of ice water and squeeze the butter through it on to a cold plate. As the butter is forced through the meshes of the cloth it will come out in odd shaped pieces, and it is very dainty to serve in this way with fresh hot biscuit or bread.

"Bubble and Squeak"—Fry in butter a few thin slices of cold boiled beef, taking care not to dry them up. Lay them on a hot platter and cover them with the following sauce: Have boiled very tender and chopped one Savoy cabbage and one quart of Brussels sprouts; drain them after they are chopped. Slice an onion very thin and put in a frying pan with butter, sprinkle with pepper and salt and when it begins to brown put in the chopped greens. Heat all very hot, dust with pepper, salt, and a teaspoon of powdered sugar, and when the onion is thoroughly done turn all over the beef and serve. This is a good luncheon dish.

Toad in the Hole—Make a smooth batter of six ounces of flour, one pint of milk and three eggs, beat smooth and turn into a well-buttered baking dish. Into the batter lay a few slices of cold mutton which has been dusted with pepper and salt; add one dozen oysters and two dozen coarsely chopped button mushrooms, season, put a little butter over the top and bake. Send to table in the dish it was baked in. This is another good luncheon dish.

Dormers—Chop half a pound of cold mutton, two ounces of fresh beef suet

and three ounces of cold boiled rice together finely; add a high seasoning of pepper and salt and roll into little sausages. A little bunch of savory herbs adds greatly to the flavor. Dip them in egg, roll them in fine crumbs, and fry a delicate brown in hot fat. Serve with an English brown sauce poured over them. These make a good luncheon dish or entree. They may be garnished with toasted mushroom flaps in season, or served with stuffed baked peppers.

Jolly Boys—Sift carefully two and a half heaping-tablespoons of yellow cornmeal, two heaping tablespoons of flour, one tablespoon of sugar, a saltspoon of salt and a teaspoon of baking powder; add one beaten egg to the mixture and then enough sweet milk to make a drop batter; stir in quickly one teaspoon of melted butter, beat well and drop by teaspoonfuls in hot fat. When they are a delicate brown serve in a napkin.

Snip Doodles—Cream together one cup of sugar and a tablespoon of butter, then add one cup of flour, a teaspoon of baking powder, and a teaspoon of ground cinnamon; mix well and add one beaten egg and half a cup of milk. Spread very thin on a buttered baking sheet. When nearly done sprinkle the surface with sugar and when brown remove from the oven, cut into squares and remove quickly with a knife. These are thin crisp cookies and unusually good ones.

Fruit Pinwheel—Rub through a sieve one pint of flour, a tablespoon of sugar, half saltspoon of salt and two teaspoons of baking powder. Into this rub two generous tablespoons of butter and mix thoroughly with a half pint of milk. Flour the board and roll the dough out into a large square half an inch in thickness, spread a heaping tablespoon of soft butter on top of this and sift over it a cup of sugar and a cup of well-washed currants; grate a little nutmeg over the top. Cut and fold back the points to form a pinwheel, just as kindergarten children do, and bake on a well-greased baking tin 12 to 15 minutes in a brisk oven.

Two New Negligees

In readiness for winter boudoir wear, several charming new negligees have just made their appearance in the shops. One of them is of the new shaded satin in old rose and silver, another model being of Nile green and silver. They are made empire style and are finished all around the edge with a double plaiting in pinked ruching.

Another negligee made in empire fashion is of embroidered net. It has a deep pointed Spanish flounce edged with a little ruffle or footing, and the same trimming finishes the sleeves and the neck down to the high waist line, which is girdled with a sash of the net edged all round with a narrow ruffle of the footing. The sash finishes in front with an empire buckle of tiny blue forget-me-nots. A slip of the blue of the forget-me-nots is worn under the negligee.

PRESENT VOGUE OF THE PLAIN RUG

To show the importance of fitting a floor covering to its surroundings, not only taking into account the coloring, but also the character of the other furnishings, an exquisite Kirman rug that would be beautiful in a drawing room, or a plain light-toned carpet, equally pleasing in a dainty bedroom, would prove in the living room—aside from all practical questions—a very uncomfortable choice. Why? Because a floor must first of all carry sufficient depth of tone to "support" the rest of the room, or one can never feel that it is firmly planted under foot. And in these days, when a rug so often leaves a wide margin of light wood on all sides, we must be especially careful to put the necessary body of color into the floor covering, else our foundation will not be adequate for the room, writes Agnes Rowe Fairman in *Good Housekeeping*. It is a fact that, where the furnishings have been well balanced in this respect, a visitor may be unconscious of whether the carpet is costly or cheap, but let the same kind of a floor covering in the same place be three shades lighter, and people will never be quite at ease there. Every one will be vaguely aware that something is wrong with the room. Incidentally, a few small rugs of rich coloring will often correct the difficulty, if laid on a plain carpet that is too light.

Next comes the question of the plain carpet versus a design—and the plain floor is first in popular and artistic favor today. Of course, there are old and rich Oriental rugs that have a way of making themselves at home in all sorts of rooms under all sorts of conditions and color schemes, but Oriental rugs are in a class apart, and even the best of them are not exceptions to the rule that a large pattern imposes limitations in the arrangement of furniture, which in small homes are not easily met. For the dining room with its prescribed order of things, a central medallion on a wide field is often a happy choice, and here, too, we may use to good effect the fascinating Chinese rug with its odd, bold figures. But if we had to spend whole days or long evenings with it, we might soon not care for a design that by its very beauty commands attention, yet can so readily be learned by heart. So, for

most rooms, it is wise to be on the safe side with a small repeat pattern, or scattered medallions on a wall covered ground. By its very monotony the carpet then becomes inconspicuous on the floor.

And there we have one reason for the present vogue of the plain rug. For, unless one can afford to put something of rare beauty or real interest on the floor, like a good Oriental, why call attention to the floor covering at all by introducing a design? Why allow the pattern of an inexpensive rug to detract from things of greater value in the room? Another argument is that the plain floor, like the plain wall, is always a safe choice, because it sets off to good advantage whatever may be put on it. And still another very sound argument is that most of the rooms in most of our homes today are small, and the moment you bring any design into the floor covering you take away from the apparent size of the floor space. By the best decorators today even the inoffensive band borders that have been so popular are being discarded in favor of the perfectly plain carpet or rug. Finally, and a point that is too often overlooked, the carpeting in one solid color of several rooms and a hall that open into one another, or at least with one kind of a fabric in slightly different tones, will be very attractive, add much to the effect of spaciousness, and give a sense of unity to the whole house.

Waists for Fall

The early fall lines of waists, which are now ready for the trade include a large percentage made of sheer materials, says the Dry Goods Economist. These include chiffons, laces, nets, marquisettes andorgette crepe. The latter is used extensively with chiffon or net linings.

The dressy waist, which takes more the form of a dress bodice, is featured in matching suit colors. In some instances these waists are touched up with contrasting or monotone colors. White also appears in the collars, the cuffs, the vest, the buttons and in the various trimming effects. The use of white as a trimming is especially featured in models of navy and black.

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Animals Enjoy Play

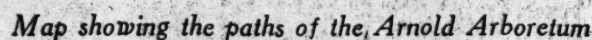
That animals often play and seem to delight in their odd games, just as children do, is what a writer in *St. Nicholas* thinks about it. He says that the otter "is a very boy for play, and even goes so far as to build himself a slide or chute for the fun of diving down into the water."

"That is more than we human boys used to do," he says, "for we had ready-made for us grandfather's two big slanting cellar doors, down which we

slid and slid and slid till the wood was scoured white and slippery with the sliding. The wild otter likes to slide, and for the same reason that we children do. Up he climbs on the bank, then down he goes, splash, into the stream! Up he climbs and down he goes—time after time—day after day." There is nothing more fun than a slide, this writer says, whether it be a mudbank, like the otter's, or a cellar door, like the boy's.

Pups, a beautiful young collie, seemed to think play more important than anything else. We are told that there are no children over at Pups', so there is no one to give him free play.

"His efforts to induce a hen or a rooster to play with him are pathetic. The hen cannot understand the dog. She hasn't a particle of play in her anyhow, a truth about hens that Pups in turn can't understand at all. He runs rapidly around her, drops on all fours flat, swings his tail, cocks his ears, looks appealingly, and barks a few little cackle-barks, as nearly henlike as he can bark them, then dashes off and whirls back—while the hen picks up another bug!"



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BRITISH NOTES FIRMLY ASSERT BLOCKADE RIGHT

(Continued from page one)

on the commerce of the United States because the increased opportunities afforded by the war for American commerce have more than compensated for the loss of the German and Austrian markets."

Replying to the American insistence upon the release of the *Neches* cargo, as seized in violation of international law, the British government insists that it is unreasonable to expect Great Britain to release her blockade as long as Germany continues to sink ships in the war zone, but the willingness is expressed to examine the facts "in a spirit of consideration of the interests of neutrals" if "hardship may be inflicted on citizens of neutral countries."

In answer to the "caveat" Great Britain hopes that "the willingness of His Majesty's government to make reasonable concessions to American interests" will avoid a controversy over jurisdiction of the prize courts and the legality of the orders in council, but should the United States insist upon its position His Majesty's government will be prepared to concert with the United States government in order to decide upon the best way "of applying the accepted rules of international law."

Presentation Made by

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Defense of Its Blockade

Replying to the United States note of March 30, in which the United States declared its objections to certain interferences with neutral trade apparently contemplated by Great Britain under the orders in council, Great Britain makes the following presentation as its chief defense of the practices against which the United States complains:

Ambassador W. H. Page to the Secretary of State.

American Embassy,
London, July 24, 1915.

Following note, dated July 23, received from Sir Edward Grey this morning:

"1. On the 2d of April your excellency handed to me a copy of a communication containing the criticisms of the United States government on the measures we have been constrained to take on account of the menace to peaceful commerce resulting from the German submarine policy. This communication has received the most careful consideration of His Majesty's government."

"2. I fully appreciate the friendly spirit and the candor which are shown in the communication, and, replying in the same spirit, I trust that I may be able to convince your excellency and also the administration at Washington that the measures we have announced are not only reasonable and necessary in themselves, but constitute no more than an adaptation of the old principles of blockade to the peculiar circumstances with which we are confronted."

"3. I need scarcely dwell on the obligation incumbent upon the Allies to take every step in their power to overcome their common enemy in view of the shocking violation of the recognized rules and principles of civilized warfare of which he has been guilty during the present struggle. Your excellency's attention has already been drawn to some of these proceedings in the memorandum which I handed to you on the 19th February. Since that time Lord Bryce's report, based on evidence carefully sifted by legal experts, describing the atrocities committed in Belgium, the poisoning of wells in German Southwest Africa, the use of poisonous gases against the troops in Flanders and finally the sinking of the Lusitania without any opportunity to passengers and non-combatants to save their lives, has shown how indispensable it is that we should leave unused no justifiable method of defending ourselves."

"4. Your excellency will remember that in my notes of the 13th and 15th March I explained that the allied governments intended to meet the German attempt to stop all supplies of every kind from leaving or entering British or French ports by themselves intercepting goods going to or from Germany. I read the communication from your excellency's government not as questioning the necessity for our taking all the steps open to us to cripple the enemy's trade, but as directed solely to the question of the legitimacy of the particular measures adopted."

"5. In the various notes which I have received from your excellency the right of a belligerent to establish a blockade of the enemy's ports is admitted, a right which has obviously no value save in so far as it gives power to a belligerent to cut off the sea-borne exports and imports of his enemy. The contention which I understand the United States government now puts forward is that if a belligerent is so circumstanced that his commerce can pass through adjacent neutral ports as easily as through ports in his own territory, his opponent has no right to interfere and must restrict his measures of blockade in such a manner as to leave such avenues of commerce still open to his adversary."

"This is a contention which His Majesty's government feel unable to accept and which seems to them unsustainable either in point of law or upon principles of international equity. They are unable to admit that a belligerent violates any fundamental principle of international law by applying a blockade in such a way as to cut out the enemy's commerce with foreign countries through neutral ports. In the circumstances render such an application of the principles of blockade the only means of making it effective."

"The government of the United States indeed intimates its readiness to take into account the great changes which have occurred in the conditions and means of naval warfare since the rule-hitherto governing legal blockade were formulated and recognizes that 'the

form of close blockade with its cordon of ships in the immediate offing of the blockaded ports is no longer practicable in the face of an enemy possessing the means and opportunity to make an effective defense by the use of submarines, mines and aircraft."

"6. The only question then which can arise in regard to the measures resorted to for the purpose of carrying out a blockade upon these extended lines is whether, to use your excellency's words, they 'conform to the spirit and principles of the essence of the rules of war,' and we shall be content to apply this test to the action which we have taken in so far as it has necessitated interference with neutral commerce."

"7. It may be noted in this connection that at the time of the civil war the United States found themselves under the necessity of declaring a blockade of some 8000 miles of coast line, a military operation for which the number of vessels available was at first very small. It was vital to the cause of the United States in that great struggle that they should be able to cut off the trade of the Southern states. The Confederate armies were dependent on supplies from overseas, and those supplies could not be obtained without exporting the cotton wherewith to pay for them."

"To cut off this trade the United States could only rely upon a blockade. The difficulties confronting the federal government were in part due to the fact that neighboring neutral territory afforded convenient centers from which contraband could be introduced into the territory of their enemies and from which blockade running could be facilitated."

"Your excellency will no doubt remember how, in order to meet this new difficulty, the old principles relating to contraband and blockade were developed and the doctrine of continuous voyage was applied and enforced, under which goods destined for the enemy territory were intercepted before they reached the neutral ports from which they were to be re-exported."

"8. The difficulties which imposed upon the United States the necessity of reshaping some of the old rules are somewhat akin to those with which the Allies are now faced in dealing with the trade of their enemy. Adjacent to Germany are various neutral countries which afford her convenient opportunities for carrying on her trade with foreign countries. Her own territories are covered by a network of railways and waterways, which enable her commerce to pass as conveniently through ports in such neutral countries as through her own. A blockade limited to enemy ports would leave open routes by which every kind of German commerce could pass almost as easily as through the ports in her own territory. Rotterdam is indeed the nearest outlet for some of the industrial districts of Germany."

"9. As a counterpoise to the freedom with which one belligerent may send his commerce across a neutral country without compromising its neutrality, the other belligerent may fairly claim to intercept such commerce before it has reached, or after it has left, the neutral state, provided, of course, that he can establish that the commerce with which he interferes is the commerce of his enemy and not commerce which is bona fide destined for or proceeding from the neutral state."

"It seems, accordingly, that if it be recognized that blockade is in certain cases the appropriate method of intercepting the trade of an enemy country, and if the blockade can only become effective by extending it to enemy commerce passing through neutral ports, such an extension is defensible and in accordance with principles which have met with general acceptance."

"10. To the contention that such action is not directly supported by written authority, it may be replied that it is the business of writers on international law to formulate existing rules rather than to offer suggestions for their adaptation to altered circumstances, and your excellency will remember the unmeasured terms in which a group of prominent international lawyers of all nations condemned the doctrine which had been laid down by the supreme court of the United States in the case of the *Springbok*, a doctrine upheld by the claims commission at Washington in 1873."

"But the United States and the British governments took a broader view and looked below the surface at the underlying principles, and the government of this country, whose nationals were the sufferers by the extension and development of the old methods of blockade made by the United States during the civil war, abstained from all protest against the decisions by which ships and their cargoes were condemned."

"11. What is really important in the general interest is that adaptations of the old rules should not be made unless they are consistent with the general principles upon which an admitted belligerent right is based. It is also essential that all unnecessary injury to neutrals should be avoided. With these conditions, it may be safely affirmed that the steps we are taking to intercept commodities on their way to and from Germany fully comply with what we should not be entitled to interfere by blockade if the geographical position and the conditions of Germany at present were such that her commerce passed through her own ports. We are taking the utmost possible care not to interfere with commerce genuinely destined for or proceeding from neutral countries. Furthermore, we have tempered the severity with which our measures might press upon neutrals by not applying the rule which was invariable in the old form of blockade, that ships and goods on their way to or from the blockaded area are liable to condemnation."

"12. The communication made by the United States embassy on the 2d of April describes as a novel and quite unprecedented feature of the blockade that it embraces many neutral ports and

coasts and has the effect of barring access to them. It does not appear that our measures can be properly so described. If we are successful in the efforts we are making to distinguish between the commerce of neutral and enemy countries, there will be no substantial interference with the trade of neutral ports except in so far as they constitute ports of access to and exit from the enemy territory. There are at this moment many neutral ports which it would be mere affectation to regard as offering facilities only for the commerce of the neutral country in which they are situated, and the only commerce with which we propose to interfere is that of the enemy who seeks to make use of such ports for the purposes of transit to or from his own country."

"13. One of the earlier passages in your excellency's memorandum was to the effect that the sovereignty of neutral nations in time of war suffers no diminution except in so far as the practice and consent of civilized nations has limited it by the recognition of certain now clearly determined rights which it is considered may be exercised by nations at war; and these it defines as the right of capture and condemnation for unlawful service, for the carriage of contraband and for breach of blockade. I may, however, be permitted to point out that the practice of nations on each of the three subjects mentioned has not at any time been uniform or clearly determined, nor has the practice of any maritime nation always been consistent."

"14. There are various particulars in which the exact method of carrying a blockade into effect has from time to time varied. The need of a public notification, the requisite standard of effectiveness, the locality of the blockading squadrons, the right of the individual ship to a preliminary warning that the blockade is in force and the penalty to be inflicted on a captured blockade runner are all subjects on which different views have prevailed in different countries and in which the practice of particular countries has been altered from time to time. The one principle which is fundamental and has obtained universal recognition is that by means of blockade a belligerent is entitled to cut off by effective means the sea-borne commerce of his enemy."

"15. It is the same with contraband. The underlying principle is well established, but as to the details there has been a wide variety of views. As for unlawful service, the very term is of such recent introduction that many writers of repute on international law do not even mention it. It is impossible in the view of His Majesty's government in these circumstances to maintain that the right of a belligerent to intercept the commerce of his enemy is limited in any way suggested in your excellency's communication."

"16. There are certain subsidiary matters dealt with in your excellency's communication to which I think it well to refer. Among these may be mentioned your citation of the declaration of Paris, due no doubt to the words which occur in the memorandum sent by me to your excellency on the 1st of March, wherein it was stated that the allied governments would hold themselves free to detain and take into port ships carrying goods of presumed enemy destination, ownership or origin, and to our announcement that vessels might be required to discharge goods of enemy ownership as well as those of enemy origin or destination."

"17. It is not necessary to discuss the extent to which the second rule of the Declaration of Paris is affected by these measures or whether it could be held to apply at all as between Great Britain and the United States. In actual practice, however, we are not detaining goods on the sole ground that they are the property of an enemy. The purpose of the measures we are taking is to intercept commerce on its way from and to the enemy country. There are many cases in which proof that the goods were enemy property would afford strong evidence that they were of enemy origin or enemy destination, and it is only in such cases that we are detaining them. Where proof of enemy ownership would afford no evidence of such origin or destination we are not in practice detaining the goods."

"18. His Majesty's government have been gratified to observe that the measures which they are enforcing have had no detrimental effect on the commerce of the United States. Figures of recent months show that the increased opportunities afforded by the war for American commerce have more than compensated for the loss of the German and Austrian markets."

"19. I trust that in the light of the above explanations it will be realized that the measures to which we have resorted have been not only justified by the exigencies of the case, but can be defended as in accordance with general principles which have commended themselves to the governments of both countries. I am glad to be able to assure your Excellency that we shall continue to apply these measures with every desire to occasion the least possible amount of inconvenience to persons engaged in legitimate commerce."

(Signed) "E. GREY."

Seizure of United States

Steamship *Neches* Is Held

Lawful in British Reply

The correspondence follows in which the United States protests to Great Britain against the detention and unloading of the American steamship *Neches*, from Rotterdam to the United States, carrying goods originating in territory held by Germany and consigned to Americans, and Great Britain's replies. This is the first specific case of the kind arising under British orders affecting American interests and is made the occasion for a re-assertion of the American position in denial of British rights to interfere with

shipments from neutral countries to the United States.

The secretary of state to Ambassador Page.

Department of State,
Washington, July 15, 1915.

Ambassador Page is informed that it has been brought to the attention of the department that the steamship *Neches* of American register, sailing from Rotterdam for the United States, carrying a general cargo, after being detained at the Downs, was brought to London, where it was required by the British authorities to discharge cargo, the property of American citizens.

It appears that the ground advanced to sustain this action is that the goods originated, in part at least, in Belgium, and fall, therefore, within the provisions of paragraph 4 of the order in council of March 11, which stipulates that every merchant vessel sailing from a port other than a German port, carrying goods of enemy origin, may be required to discharge such goods in a British or allied port.

Ambassador Page is instructed in this case to reiterate the position of the government of the United States as set forth in the department's instruction of March 30, 1915, with respect to the order in council mentioned, the international invalidity of which the government of the United States regards as plainly illustrated by the present instance of the seizure of American owned goods passing from the neutral port of Rotterdam to a neutral port of the United States merely because the goods came originally from territory in the possession of an enemy of Great Britain.

Mr. Page is also instructed to inform the foreign office that the legality of this seizure cannot be admitted and that in the view of the government of the United States it violates the right of the citizens of one neutral to trade with those of another, as well as with those of belligerents except in contraband or in violation of a legal blockade of an enemy seaport, and that the right of American owners of goods to bring them out of Holland in due course in neutral ships must be insisted upon by the United States, even though such goods may have come originally from the territories of enemies of Great Britain.

He is directed further to insist upon the desire of this government that goods taken from the *Neches*, which are the property of American citizens, should be expeditiously released to be forwarded to their destination and to request that he be advised of the British government's intended course in this matter at the earliest moment convenient to that government.

Great Britain's reply to United States protest in *Neches* case follows:

Ambassador W. H. Page to the Secretary of State.

American Embassy,
London, July 31, 1915.

Sir Edward Grey has today sent me the following note:

"The note which your excellency addressed to me on the 17th instant respecting the detention of the cargo of the steamship *Neches* has, I need hardly say, received the careful attention of His Majesty's government."

"The note which I had the honor to send to your excellency on the 23d instant has already explained the view of His Majesty's government on the legal aspect of the question, though it was prepared before your excellency's communication of the 17th had been received, and pending consideration by the government of the United States of the views and arguments set forth in the British note of the 23d it is unnecessary for me to say more on the question of right or of law."

"There is, however, one general observation that seems relevant to the note from your excellency respecting the cargo of the *Neches*."

"It is the practice of the German government in the waters through which the *Neches* was passing to sink neutral as well as British merchant vessels, irrespective of the destination of the vessel or origin of the cargo, and without proper regard or provision for the safety of passengers or crews, many of whom have lost their lives in consequence. There can be no question that this action is contrary to the recognized and settled rules of international law as well as to the principles of humanity."

"His Majesty's government on the other hand have adhered to the rule of visit and search and have observed the obligation to bring into port and submit to a prize court any ships or cargoes with regard to which they think they have a good case for detention or for condemnation as contraband."

"His Majesty's government are not aware, except from the published correspondence between the United States and Germany, to what extent reparations have been claimed from Germany by neutrals for loss of ships, lives and cargoes, nor how far these acts have been the subject even of protest by the neutral governments concerned."

"While those acts of the German government continue, it seems neither reasonable nor just that His Majesty's government should be pressed to abandon the rights claimed in the British note of the 23d, and to allow goods from Germany to pass freely through waters effectively patrolled by British ships of war."

"If, however, it be alleged that in particular cases and special circumstances hardship may be inflicted on citizens of neutral countries, His Majesty's government are ready in such cases to examine the facts in a spirit of consideration for the interests of neutrals and in this spirit they are prepared to deal with the cargo of the *Neches*, to which your excellency has called attention, if it is held that the particular circumstances of this case fall within this category."

Prize Court Rulings Are

Assured by Great Britain to

Conform to International Law

In regard to prize court proceedings the United States had served notice by

caveat to Great Britain that American rights will be construed under accepted international law and that prize court proceedings based on British municipal legislation not in conformity with basic international law will not be recognized as valid by the United States.

The dispatch transmitting this notice follows:

The secretary of state to Ambassador W. H. Page.

Department of State,
Washington, July 14, 1915.

In view of differences which are understood to exist between the two governments as to the principles of law applicable in prize court proceedings in cases involving American interests and in order to avoid any misunderstanding as to the attitude of the United States in regard to such proceedings, you are instructed to inform the British government that in so far as the interests of American citizens are concerned the government of the United States will insist upon their rights under the principles and rules of international law as hitherto established, governing neutral trade in time of war, without limitation or impairment by order in council or other municipal legislation by the British government and will not recognize the validity of prize court proceedings taken under restraints imposed by British municipal law in derogation of the rights of American citizens under international law."

Britain's Reply to Caveat

Great Britain's reply to the United States caveat regarding British prize court proceedings contends that British orders in council are in conformity with the principles of international law and states remedies open to Americans not satisfied with prize court decisions. This reply follows:

Ambassador W. H. Page to the Secretary of State.

American Embassy,
London, July 14, 5 p. m.

I have today received the following note from Sir Edward Grey:

"Foreign Office, July 31, 1915."

"Your Excellency:

"1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the note dated the 16th instant in which you were good enough to communicate to me for the information of His Majesty's government the opinion held by the government of the United States, that in view of differences between the two countries as to the principles of law applicable in cases before the prize court, they could not recognize the validity of proceedings taken in His Majesty's prize court in derogation of the rights of citizens of the United States."

"2. I do not understand to what divergence of views as to the principles of law applicable in cases before the prize court the government of the United States refers, for I am not aware of any differences existing between the two countries as to the principles of law applicable in cases before such courts."

"3. British prize courts, according to the ancient form of commission under which they sit, are to determine cases which come before them according to the course of admiralty and the law of nations and the statutes, rules and regulations for the time being in force in that behalf."

"As to the principles applied by the American prize courts, I note that in the case of the *Amy Warwick* (2 Sprague, 123) it was held that prize courts are subject to the instructions of their own sovereign. In the absence of such instructions their jurisdiction and rules of decision are to be ascertained by reference to the known powers of such tribunals and the principles by which they are governed under the public law and the practice of nations. It would appear, therefore, that the principles applied by the

prize courts of the two countries are identical."

"4. As illustrating further the attitude adopted by the judges of British prize courts toward these two sources of law, the municipal legislation of its sovereign on the one hand and the principles of international law on the other, I should like to refer your Excellency to a classical passage in the judgment of Lord Stowell in the case of the *Fox*, in which that famous judge observed in the course of the discussion: 'A question has been stated, what would be the duty of the court under orders in council that were repugnant to the law of nations? It has been contended on one side that the court would at all events be bound to enforce the orders in council, on the other that the court would be bound to apply the rules of the law of nations adapted to the particular case, in disregard of the orders in council. This court is bound to administer the law of nations to the subjects of other countries in the different relations in which they may be placed toward this country and its government. That is what others have a right to demand for their subjects, and to complain if they receive it not. This is its unwritten law evidenced in the course of its decisions and collected from the common usage of civilized states. At the same time it is strictly true that by the constitution of this country the King in council possesses legislative rights over this court and has power to issue orders and instructions which it is bound to obey and enforce; and these constitute the written law of this court."

"These two propositions, that the court is bound to administer the law of nations and that it is bound to enforce the King's orders in council, are not at all inconsistent with each other, because these orders and instructions are presumed to conform themselves under the given circumstances to the principles of its unwritten law. They are either directory applications of those principles to the cases indicated in them—cases which with all the facts and circumstances belonging to them and which constitute their legal character could be but imperfectly known to the court itself; or they are positive regulations, consistent with these principles, applying to matters which require more exact and definite rules than those general principles are capable of furnishing."

"The constitution of this court relatively to the legislative power of the King in council is analogous to that of the courts of common law relatively to that of the Parliament of this kingdom. These courts have their unwritten law, the approved reasons, principles of natural reason and justice—they have likewise the written or statute law in acts of Parliament which are directory applications of the same principles to particular subjects, or positive regulations consistent with them upon matters which would remain too much at large if they were left to the imperfect information which the courts could extract from mere general speculations."

"What would be the duty of the individuals who preside in these courts if required to enforce an act of Parliament which contradicted those principles is a question which I presume they would not entertain a priori, because they will not entertain a priori the supposition that any such will arise."

"In like manner this court will not let itself loose into speculations as to what would be its duty under such an emergency; because it cannot without extreme indecency, presume that any such emergency will happen. And it is less disposed to entertain them because its own observation and experience attest the general conformity of such orders and instructions to its principles of unwritten law."

"5. The above passage has recently been quoted and adopted by the president of the prize court in the case of the *Zamora* in which Sir S. Evans said: 'I make bold to express the hope and belief that the nations of the world need not be apprehensive that orders in council will emanate from the government of this country in such violation of the acknowledged laws of nations that it is conceivable that our prize tribunals, holding the law of nations in reverence, would be called upon to disregard and refuse obedience to the provisions of such orders.'

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SCHOOL GARDEN RESULTS SHOWN IN PHILADELPHIA

More Than Twenty Thousand Children Enrolled, Some Are Working at Home, a Fair to Be Held in the Fall

PHILADELPHIA—Every child can have a garden all his own if he is fortunate enough to attend or live near one of the 46 school yards which have been opened for school gardening this summer by the board of education. Nor is the garden movement confined to boys pupils. Girls are going to have equal opportunity to raise flowers or vegetables, according to inclination.

There are real, practical lessons underneath the play, says the North American, for the children are learning to do intensive farming on small plots of ground. They are carrying their knowledge to their homes, and recently Miss Caro Miller, director of school gardens, reported that hundreds of home gardens in small back yards have been started as an indirect result of the school garden movement.

"We are trying not so much to induce the city child to consider farming as a future occupation, as to show what can be done on a small scale here in town," said Miss Miller. "There is no reason why the city family should not have their own vegetables and we believe that the next generation will better utilize the soil in consequence of the gardening done by them in school."

To the youngster who loves to dabble in earth the work is fun. The first bean vine which clambers up the pole is regarded with awe and pride. There never were such berries as they gather from their own bushes, and the child who has a small squash farm develops an intense fondness for that vegetable.

Begun 11 years ago, school gardening has passed the experimental stage. Every school district has its small garden area, but there is not enough ground to supply the demands of the children, who are clamoring for the work. Perhaps the best school garden is at the Stove school, at Seventieth street and Woodland avenue. Last year the boys and girls raised a greater variety of fine fruit and vegetables there than was displayed at any other school in the city.

While the public schools are in session, the hours for school gardening are from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., and on Saturday from 9 a. m. until noon. The visiting classes from the nearest schools come to the gardens once a week. Individual plot holders come three times a week. During the summer the hours for garden work are from 8:30 a. m. until 7 p. m.

In September the little farmers will have a real "fair" and display their vegetables, fruits and flowers to a group of judges selected by Miss Miller. Prizes will be awarded to the most creditable exhibition. Girls will have canning bees and be marked for their skill in cooking as well as gardening.

About 20,000 children have enrolled for instruction in home gardens. The "flowers for Philadelphia" movement, started in conjunction with the gardens, has gained a growing membership of several hundred schools. In addition to the gardening, the children are taught to cane chairs, make baskets, weave and do other handicraft work which keeps them busy and contented during the hot summer months.

BRITISH NOTES FIRMLY ASSERT BLOCKADE RIGHT

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The United States government and His Majesty's government have adopted the principle that the decisions of a national prize court may be open to review, if it is held in the prize court and in the judicial committee of the privy council on appeal that the orders and instructions issued by His Majesty's government in matters relating to prize are in harmony with the principles of international law; and should the government of the United States unfortunately feel compelled to maintain a contrary view, His Majesty's government will be prepared to concert with the United States government in order to decide upon the best way of applying the above principle to the situation which would then have arisen.

"I trust, however, that the defense of our action which I have already communicated to your excellency and the willingness of His Majesty's government (which has been shown in so many instances) to make reasonable concessions to American interests will prevent the necessity for such action arising."

"10. In any case I trust that the explanations given above will remove the misapprehensions under which I cannot but feel the government of the United States are laboring as to the principles applied by British prize courts in dealing with the cases which come before them."

E. GREY.

GARMENT CONFERENCE PLANNED

NEW YORK—Postponement of carrying out the strike vote passed by the International Garment Workers Union in Greater New York was brought about Tuesday by a request from Mayor Mitchell's council of conciliation that representatives of the union and the executive board of the Coat, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers Protective Association meet with the conciliators today for a final discussion of differences. The proposal was agreed to by both sides.

LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

Addressing a rural organization conference at Amherst, Mass., on July 30, Charles F. D. Belden, chairman of the free public library commission and state librarian, spoke of the work of the library commission of Massachusetts.

He said that the first state commission to be appointed was in Massachusetts, and today 37 of the 48 states of the Union have such a commission, reaffirming the leadership of Massachusetts in things pertaining to education. Library extension work, carried on in connection with the new movement, called organization of rural communities, has a particularly advantageous field in Massachusetts, where, if the libraries of the state were evenly distributed, there would be one in every 20 square miles.

In the free public libraries of Massachusetts there are housed more than 6,000,000 books, which means two books per capita. Two books is the number usually allowed out of a library on a reader's card, so it is seen that Massachusetts has books enough to keep her people reading all the time, if they were distributed and used with mathematical exactness. The actual annual circulation of books in Massachusetts is, however, three books per capita, including adults and children.

The laws of Massachusetts are especially liberal in regard to exchange of books among libraries, and also as to the use of books by the public. Bates hall in Boston has, for example, several thousand books on open shelves which anyone may take down to read in the hall without applying for them or registering in any way. No one but residents of Boston can take books out of the library on a card, except under special conditions, but anyone may read freely and have the full use of the library at the building.

The number of library buildings in Massachusetts is notably large. Of these 278 have been given by Massachusetts residents or as memorials of former citizens. Only 33 of them are Carnegie buildings. There are 51 libraries housed in separate buildings built by taxation, or located in town, school or engine houses. There are 54 located in buildings owned by the town, halls, historical society buildings or those used by the G. A. R. In 48 towns funds now are being gathered for separate library buildings.

Management of the public libraries differs in various towns. The majority, or 275, are wholly owned and managed by the town. In 39 the town has some representation, in 27 it has no representation, but appropriates money for the support of the institution. Eleven of them—as, for example, Fairhaven and Gloucester—are public libraries, but have no connection whatever with the town government or finances.

A bulletin lately issued from the Riverside, Cal., library lists "books added recently" to the number of about 500, on agriculture, country life and garden, home economics, astronomy, surveying, geology and the like, and not a word about fiction. Novels are evidently not to be heralded as a lure to the readers. It issues also a separate bulletin, "Books and Information for Home Builders." The pamphlet is divided into lists of books on house plans and planning, building and equipment, interior decoration and furnishing, gardens and grounds, and a few housekeeping books. Another small pamphlet is a reference list for "city planning," and is classified as follows: General; finance, administration and law; approaches; engineering; fire-fighting; parks, playgrounds and playgrounds; problems in city government, with nine sub-headings, such as schools, water systems, etc. Curiously enough an entire separate pigeon hole is labeled "Jitneys."

Three articles are listed, one significantly named "Roping the Wild Jitney." All other transportation is gathered under the head, Utilities. Streets and public buildings and institutions are the final groups.

Under the heading "Getting Rid of Deadwood," the editor of the Quarterly published by the University of the State of New York for the New York libraries, relates his own struggles in getting rid of useless books which do so accumulate. He makes it clear that out-dated books are often not merely useless; they are actually harmful. A book which contains misinformation is filling space needed for later works. Then the presence of many old volumes makes the whole library unattractive. This editor thinks that a shelf of what he calls 50 "live books" will attract far more interest than these same books would rouse if they were scattered about among 500 old books.

Thirdly, as it costs a library more to keep and care for books than it does to buy them, the keeping of useless books is an actual extravagance. Each book on the shelves represents a percentage of the total library cost. The question is, Is the book worth what it costs to keep it? The mere fact that a book is unused is not, however, a sufficient reason for labeling it useless. Many excellent or useful books are overlooked, perhaps because the librarian does not know their value.

It is clear, however, that many an old book which is useless so far as its actual contents are related to modern progress, is often of great interest to the student of the literary or other manners of its time. While this sort of curiosity may not be worth appealing at the cost of shelf-room really needed, it is certain that a large part of the material often dubbed deadwood has a quaint and pleasant savor for one who is fond of that which is old. Even an old book on engineering, for example, must have interest for the student of the history of his profession; as the absurd maps and drawings of the contin-

ent discovered in the fifteenth century are of vast interest today. It would be unfortunate if all the old records and diaries and letters that contain incorrect statements were cast aside, since after all atmosphere as well as bare fact has a literary value.

EDITORIAL VIEWS

Shipbuilding
CHICAGO JOURNAL—Sixty sea-going steel ships, aggregating 288,701 gross tons, are now being built in American shipyards. This is the heaviest tonnage ever under construction in this country at one time. There is no reason to suppose that American shipyards will go out of business when the war closes. If we bring to shipbuilding the same genius and energy we have taken into other lines of business, we can hold our own with any competitors; and the destruction of merchant ships in this war is so great that there will be a good demand for such vessels for a long time to come.

Segregation of Races
SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN—St. Louis citizens will probably have before them at the next election an ordinance segregating the colored from the white residents—or separating white and colored, as the advocates of the ordinance prefer to express it. The supreme court of Kentucky has recently sustained a similar ordinance, now in force in Louisville, and the lower courts have sustained such laws in Baltimore, Richmond and Norfolk. This development, coming at such a late date, has its disquieting element.

Chances in South America
ROCHESTER DEMOCRAT CHRONICLE—A salesman for a Detroit automobile concern, home from a two years' tour of South America, is convinced that trade opportunities in South America "offer the least returns for the biggest outlay" that can be found in any part of the globe. The great trouble with the Latin countries, he says, is that they have always done business on borrowed capital and long credit. The gentleman obviously did not find South America up to his expectations, but his views have some value, for the business man who sets out to do business in that part of the world ought to know something about the obstacles to be encountered as well as about the glittering opportunities for amassing wealth.

Ideals in a Democracy
KANSAS CITY STAR—It is up to democracy the world over to prove that it can be as devoted and as efficient in a national crisis as the old aristocracy was. Democracy has ideals incomparably nobler than any that an aristocracy could have. But the democracy must be ready to sacrifice for them or they will not survive.

Preserving the Forests
NEW YORK SUN—The great loss by fire to the forests of Alaska, where the system of protection in most of the states has not yet been developed, calls attention to the fact that in recent years our forests have suffered comparatively little. In Maine, in the Adirondacks, in the wooded parts of Massachusetts and in the Allegheny range the damage has been reduced to the minimum; while in the great forests of the West fires, which were mostly found to be of incendiary origin, have been quickly checked and the persons guilty of starting them have been punished. Trained forest rangers, watch towers and the telephone have had a share in a system of protection that is preserving an important part of our great natural resources.

MANITOBA SEES ENCOURAGEMENT FOR PROHIBITION

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)
WINNIPEG, Man.—Manitoba is on the eve of another provincial election and temperance people of the province have many reasons for congratulating themselves on the evidences of the advancement of temperance sentiment and education.

The pronouncements and platforms of the two political parties with whom the temperance forces have to deal in crystallizing into law the progress that has been made are all on the most advanced lines.

The Conservative party at its recent convention was unanimous for the re-enactment of what is known as the Hugh John Macdonald act, the enforcement of which would give the province total prohibition at the end of the present license year, June 1, 1916.

The Liberals have promised the temperance people a referendum on prohibition at the earliest possible date. This statement has been given out by Premier Norris to a delegation of temperance people who waited on him immediately after the government buildings. The Liberals further state that an early session of the Legislature must be held soon after the election, and that if the recognized representatives of the temperance forces are ready and so desire the referendum can be taken at the municipal elections in December of this year, and that a prohibition law would go into effect at the end of the present license year, June 1, 1916.

Election day is Friday, Aug. 6, and the temperance forces see prohibition sentiment so strongly entrenched that whichever way the election goes a prohibition law will soon be put on the statute books of the province.

FRENCH FUND IS \$8128.32
The total receipts for the French fund are now \$8128.32 and the motor truck fund is \$877, according to an announcement made yesterday by Kidder, Peabody & Co., treasurers.

GREAT BRITAIN TURNS TOWARD EGYPT COTTON

Attitude of American Interests Regarding Great Britain's Detention of Cargoes for Germany Held Contributing Cause

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from the Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON—Because of the anti-British activities of American cotton interests, growing out of Great Britain's detention of cotton cargoes bound for Germany, it is learned authoritatively here that English mill and spinning interests are threatening to do all they can to promote the growth of Egyptian cotton to minimize their dependence upon the American supply of raw cotton. It is explained that the British cotton people feel that the American planters are not appreciative of their efforts to mitigate the hardships resulting to the American cotton growers from the blockade of Germany, and they think now is a good time to begin the development on a large scale of the cotton-growing industry within the British empire.

It is claimed that Great Britain's main purpose in persistently avoiding placing cotton on the contraband list has been to avert a disaster in the American cotton market.

The Sudan, in Egypt, is where the English spinners plan to encourage cotton growing. Nor is this a new proposition. Delegates of the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers Associations visited Egypt in 1912 to investigate the situation, and other delegations have gone from time to time. Experiments have been made at Tokar, the Gezira and elsewhere, and cultivation on a large scale has been advocated by the International Cotton Federation and the British Cotton Growing Association. The location of the Sudan is regarded as well suited, being midway between the east and west, and the climate is favorable. Transportation facilities are good.

The council of the British Cotton Growing Association sent a deputation to Egypt in 1912 to inquire into the possibilities of extending cotton cultivation in Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. This association, representing the cotton-spinning and manufacturing trade of Lancashire, in 10 years has been active in establishing new cotton-growing fields in various parts of the British empire, more particularly in Uganda, West Africa, and the West Indies. The association had an annual grant from the British government of about \$50,000.

The British government, upon request of the cotton interests, approved a plan for government guarantee of a loan of £3,000,000 for development of the Sudan for this purpose.

At the international congress of tropical agriculture in London last year a speaker told of the successful outcome of the experimental treatment of 800 acres of waste land in Egypt. In 1912 the land was drained and irrigated at a cost of \$50 per acre, and handed over to the fellahs (peasants) for cultivation in five-acre plots. The next year the land was washed and a crop of rice grown, followed in 1914 by a fair proportion of cotton, and prospects of a return in cotton of \$75 to \$100 per acre. Some 1,500,000 acres of similar waste land was reported available on the Nile delta.

The sirdar, Sir Reginald Wingate, governor-general of the Sudan, said that from time immemorial the Sudan had been a cotton producing country, and that it was well suited to the development on a large scale. Labor is plenty, he said, and promises to become more satisfactory as the nomadic peoples are gradually settling down.

The culture of cotton in Egypt seems to have begun, according to the official information available here, about 1821, the first crop of consequence being about 35,000 cantars, a cantar being about 100 pounds. No substantial increase was noted until about 1850, and in 1851 the crop was 670,000 cantars, and 1,000,000 cantars in 1852. About 40 per cent of the delta was devoted to cotton last year, and about 11 per cent of upper Egypt. The crop of 1914 was estimated about 800,000,000 pounds, which those interested hope to see increased before long to 1,200,000,000. The average yearly crop has been 7,000,000 to 7,500,000 cantars, an average acre yield of four cantars.

The price of Egyptian cotton is higher than the cotton of other countries, due partially to its value and partially to the cost of production. One estimate made to the American department of commerce gave the total cost \$75 per acre and crop value \$85 per acre, the cost being \$35 for grain, labor, irrigation, drainage, picking and guarding, and \$40 for rent. In February of this year Egyptian cotton was bringing \$12 to \$15 per cantar, or 12 to 15 cents per pound.

The following crop figures over a period of years are given by G. G. Dudgeon, F. E. S., of the Egyptian department of agriculture:

Year	Total area, Feddans	Area under cotton, Feddans	Crop, Cantars
1890	1,000,000	200,000	4,150,405
1900	1,000,000	200,000	5,455,490
1910	1,000,000	200,000	1,642,710
1911	1,000,000	200,000	1,711,240
1912	1,000,000	200,000	1,721,815

A feddan is about equal to one acre.

Because of the war the cotton area was restricted this year. At the opening of the war, says the Manchester Guardian, a decree was issued restricting the area to one fourth of the cultivated land. Later it was changed to one third. Later it was seen that the restriction was overdone by the government, and the decree was not enforced. "It seems probable," said the Guardian,

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236 million dollars being expended on New York's dual system of subways, now being completed. 50 millions being expended to link up the Pennsylvania-Long Island system with the New York, New Haven and Hartford. 10 millions being expended by the Lehigh Valley and New York, New Haven and Hartford railroads on the port of New York—for docks, water rights, bulkheads and terminal improvements. 86½ million dollars expended in the first six months of this year on new buildings in Greater New York—14 millions more than in the same period last year.

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UTAH HAS SEVERAL MOUNTAIN PEAKS OVER 13,000 FEET

WASHINGTON—A number of mountain peaks in Utah rise well above the 13,000 foot level, according to a recent publication of the United States geological survey—bulletin 566—which shows the exact elevation above mean sea level of more than 900 points in Utah as determined by the survey from 1897 to 1914, inclusive. The bulletin also contains a list of more than 100 secondary elevations from records and topographic maps of the United States geological survey, including altitudes of well-known summits.

The highest point thus far determined is the summit of Kings peak, in Wasatch county, 13,498 feet above mean sea level. Other high points in the state are Emmons mountain, 13,428 feet; Gilbert peak, 13,422 feet; and Lovonia mountain, 13,250 feet.

Though a large number of elevations are shown on the topographic maps of areas in Utah published by the survey, they are stated on the maps only to the nearest foot, whereas the bulletin gives the elevation to thousandths of a foot. The numbers stamped on geological survey bench marks represent the elevation to the nearest foot as determined by the surveyor. This, however, should not be used in accurate work. Engineers and others who require the exact elevations should apply to the director of the geological survey at Washington, D. C.

SINGLE TAX COLONY'S PURPOSE EXPLAINED

FAIRHOPE, Ala.—The Alabama supreme court, in overruling the Mobile chancery court, which had decided against the Fairhope single tax colony, in the suit of A. J. Melville, to have the corporation dissolved, enters at some length into the merits of the case.

In the court opinion is a quotation from the Fairhope declaration of incorporation, which in turn is given in the Public. The declaration refers to the colony as an endeavor to prove the practicability of the single tax doctrine, "securing to its members equality of opportunity, holding all land in the name of the corporation and paying all taxes on the same and improvements and other personal property of lessees thereon, charging the lessees the fair rental value."

KAW RIVER BRIDGE URGED

LAWRENCE, Kan.—Plans for a \$200,000 concrete bridge to replace the present ancient structure over the Kaw river here were presented to the state utilities commission at Topeka for approval recently. The plans already have been approved by the governmental engineers, the Topeka Capital notes. It is planned to start the construction work about Oct. 1.

SCOUTS WILL HAVE CITY ADMINISTRATION

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The Kansas City boy scouts hold their annual camp Aug. 16 to 28, at Elk Springs, Mo. The tent city of Scoutville-in-the-Ozarks will have telephones, telegraph, water works, inspectors and a complete list of city officers. It will also have wireless telegraph communication with surrounding points. In its outline of the preparations, the Star notes that the camp will be under the general direction of A. J. Watson, scout commissioner, and that A. L. Palmer will be field secretary.

SHIP ADMITTED TO REGISTRY

WASHINGTON—The Norwegian steamer Haugarland, one of the 11 vessels bought by the American Trans-Atlantic Company, of which Richard Wagner of New York is the head, backed by German capital, was admitted to American registry Tuesday by the department of commerce. The vessel, which is at Newport News, is now named Winnebago.

TEXAS HAYMAKERS CHARTERED

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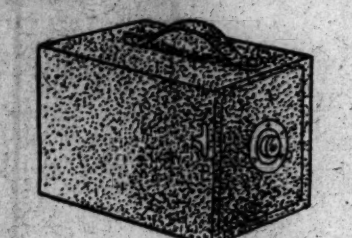
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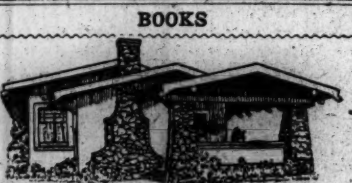


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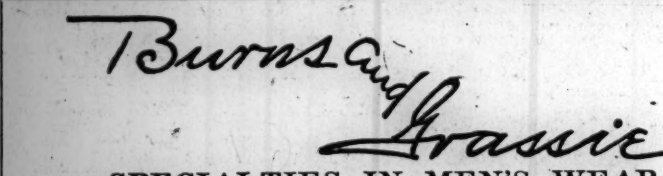
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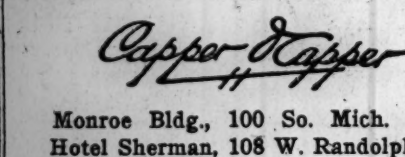


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UNION PACIFIC REPORTS YEAR GOOD RESULTS

Although Gross Decrease Is More Than Five Millions Surplus Loss Little More Than Three Hundred Thousand

NEW YORK—With a decrease in gross of \$5,137,037 in 13 months to June 30, Union Pacific's surplus from railroad earnings after charges was only \$314,059 less than 1914. This creditable result was made possible chiefly by a \$2,418,064 cut in transportation expenses, \$437,393 decrease in taxes, and \$944,773 reduction in charges, due chiefly to saving in miscellaneous rentals. The company spent \$28,043 more than in previous year on maintenance of way, and only \$415,943 less on maintenance of equipment, fully explained by decrease in traffic handled.

The 5.60 per cent surplus for common stock from railroad operation was only .14 per cent less than in 1914. Income from investments equaled 5.33 per cent on Union Pacific stock, 1.98 per cent less than in previous year. As Baltimore & Ohio stock and cash yielding about 2 per cent on Union Pacific common had been distributed to stockholders, the net result from stockholders' viewpoint was the same as in 1914, despite \$5,000,000 decrease in business handled.

A decrease of \$4,701,920 in surplus earned for the common was cut to a decrease of \$2,704,470 after dividends by the fact that only 8 per cent has been paid on Union Pacific common through the whole year 1915, whereas 10 per cent had been paid for first six months in 1914, cutting the dividend requirement this year \$1,907,450.

June freight earnings were within \$145,167 of June, 1914, level, while passenger revenue gained \$21,079. There was a reduction of \$96,810 in expenses, and of \$132,794 in taxes, with a net gain for the month of \$266,220. The 12 months showed a decrease in freight revenue of \$3,470,558, and in passenger revenue of \$1,887,672. The slight cut in maintenance and heavy saving in transportation expenses left a decrease of only \$1,446,108 in net.

With July earnings making a good showing, and prospects for heavy crop movements, outlook for the fiscal year 1916 is much brighter than was that for the year just closed.

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC EARNINGS

Unfavorable weather and other untoward circumstances had a more depressing effect upon Massachusetts Electric Company's earnings in July than was the case with Boston Elevated. Total income for the month recorded a comparative decrease of \$42,500, or 4.4 per cent. This is a much better result than June, which contributed to the poor results of the June 30 year by a shrinkage in receipts of \$85,000, or 10 per cent. This is the first comparative gain in gross since February.

SHOE BUYERS

(Compiled by The Christian Science Monitor)

Among the boot and shoe dealers and leather buyers in Boston are the following:

Atlanta, Ga.—J. J. Saul; U. S. Brooks—Mr. Pinkerton of A. D. Matthews & Co.; W. Marks of A. I. Nann & Co.; Brewster, N. C.—B. F. Matthews of Belk Bros.; U. S. Chicago—All Eckerberg of Rothchild & Co.; Parker, Essex. Chicago—Phil Selzer of Boston Store; Essex. Dallas, Tex.—Barney Aronoff of Dallas Jobbing House; U. S. Dallas, Tex.—Louis Sachs; U. S. Denver—J. D. Barnett of J. P. Dunn Leather Co.; U. S. Detroit—T. B. Jefferies of Crowley, Milner & Co.; Copley Plaza, U. S. Fredonia, Ia.—J. S. Hubbell; U. S. Havana—Juan Ussia of V. de Aedo Ussia & Vincent; U. S. Havana—M. Iglesias of Cachot Garcia & Menendez; Essex. Kingsville, Tex.—B. Ragland of Ragland Mercantile Co.; U. S. Knoxville—W. W. Harrison of Harrison Shoe Co.; Essex. Little Rock—H. Saffler; U. S. Marlin, Tex.—Mr. Gardner of Gardner & Holloway; U. S. Memphis—W. Perkins of Bra Rock Dry Goods Co.; U. S. Nashville—L. M. Hollins of Hollins & Sons; Bruns. New York—Chas. Shelllin; Copley Plaza, U. S. New York—Fred Koch of Standard Mail Order House; Essex. New York—Messrs Finn and Wakefield of T. H. Davies. Newark—J. Spurling of Goerke Co.; Essex. Omaha—J. W. Fyfe of Hayden Bros.; Essex. Pittsburgh—A. E. Tobey of Kaufmann Bros.; U. S. Ponce, P. R.—M. Portela; U. S. Rochester, N. Y.—A. C. Dunbar and J. H. Phillips of The Hamiltons; Essex. San Francisco—Chester Williams of Williams Marvin Shoe Co.; Tour. San Francisco—H. Cullinan of Buckingham & Co.; U. S. St. Louis—L. S. Hamburger of Ham-burger Bros.; Copley Plaza, U. S. Youngstown, O.—A. Leopold; U. S.

LEATHER BUYERS

Barcelona, Spain—Juan Balaguer; Tour. London, Eng.—W. R. Box of Samuel Barrows & Co.; Essex. Moscow, Russia—Jacques D. Sarikoff; Park. Petrograd, Russia—A. Sarhovsky and Mr. Avinoff; Parker. St. Louis—P. O'Brien of Brown Shoe Co.; Essex.

(The New England Shoe and Leather Association cordially invites all visiting buyers to call at its headquarters and trade information bureau, 160 Essex st., Boston. The Christian Science Monitor is on file.)

CREDIT TRADE BALANCE SIZE

WASHINGTON—Favorable trade balance for July amounted to about \$95,000,000, and for 13 months ended July 31 to \$1,100,000,000.

WOOL MARKET FIRMLY HELD FOR ALL GRADES OF STOCK

Prospects Appear Favorable for Large Requirements by Manufacturers, in View of a Probable Expansion of Demand for Products of Domestic Mills

Conditions in the wool trade continue fairly satisfactory to growers and wool merchants, as well as to the manufacturers of textiles. The market is firmly sustained for all grades of stock, inasmuch as the prospects appear favorable for domestic manufacturers, and it is believed that large quantities of imported and American clips will be required to fill orders.

While it seems likely enough that more wool is to be available in the United States this year than ordinarily, the combined imported and domestic receipts at this leading American market being close to 300,000,000 pounds for the year to date, and nearly 30,000,000 pounds in excess of 1914 receipts for the corresponding period no one appears to doubt that all the clips that come forward will be readily absorbed.

Rarely heretofore has the home goods market been so amply protected from European competition. The full significance of this phase of the outlook is beginning to be generally recognized and it impels domestic manufacturers to take a broader view of their own opportunities and increase their endeavors to secure an extra share of the orders that must be placed for fabrics for coming seasons.

Stocks of goods throughout the country, it is believed, are not heavy, and clothiers are expected to need large quantities in apparel lines in the current half-year. Then there remains the

possibility of sizable contracts for military purposes, which may swell the aggregate to very profitable proportions. Initial orders for next season's lines are indicative of an intention on the part of big buyers to secure whatever advantage can be obtained, in the way of high quality of fabrics and workmanship as well as prompt deliveries, from early ordering.

Despite the high asking prices, domestic fleeces are becoming the subject of much inquiry and a larger movement of this kind of stock is reported. For Ohio XX and above 33@34c is asked, and for Ohio fine washed delaine 35@36c is quoted, while 36@38c is named for Ohio medium combed and 30@33c for medium clothing clips. Imported fleeces are practically unchanged, but held firmly.

Territory wools are on the scored basis of about 72@75c for fine staple, 70@72c for half-blood staple, 68@70c for three eighths blood staple and 68@70c for fine and fine medium clothing. Texas 12-months clips bring about 68@70c also. On pulled stock the tone is firm, with B supers around 92@95c, scored basis, A supers ranging up to 90@97c.

Class III wools are remarkably scarce, offerings from Russia and China being very much less in quantity than usual. Manufacturers of rugs and carpets, consequently, are naming higher price levels and predictions are made of further advances before the end of this year.

UNION PACIFIC EARNS 10.98 P. C.

NEW YORK—Union Pacific road announces that in year ended June 30, according to preliminary statement, the company earned 10.98 per cent for common stock, compared with 13.10 per cent last year. Of the 10.98 per cent, 5.60 per cent was earned from operations and 5.38 per cent as income from investment.

Surplus after deducting all charges and dividends was \$6,626,953, a decrease of \$2,704,470. Decrease in surplus for stock was due almost entirely to distribution of company's Baltimore & Ohio stock and transfer of income thereon to stockholders direct, so that but for this distribution Union Pacific would this year show almost exactly the same surplus as in 1914.

FINANCIAL NOTES

The August coupon of the Belgian 1914 loan is being paid in London through Baring Bros.

Pacific Mail S. S. Company announces that on Nov. 2 next it will withdraw its fleet from transpacific service. This is largest American fleet engaged in such commerce.

Paris special says that the French government has concluded a contract, through J. P. Morgan & Co., to take the entire motor truck output of the Packard, White and Pierce-Arrow companies of the United States for an indefinite period. In addition it was announced that France is seeking to purchase through the same source 1000 3½-ton trucks from other firms.

STOCK TAX RECEIPTS LESS Receipts from sales of stock transfer tax stamps in Massachusetts for July amounted to \$9215, compared with \$13,990 in June, and \$15,703 in May.

ALLIS-CHALMERS COMPANY GAINS MILLIONS OF WORK

MILWAUKEE—On July 1, last, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company had advance orders amounting to a little more than \$7,000,000. Jan. 1, 1915, business on hand was approximately \$2,500,000, so that there has been a gain in six months of about \$4,500,000 in new work.

During 1914 the company sold \$10,000,000 worth of goods, so that orders now on the books would keep the plant going nearly six months at the fractional capacity at which the plants operated in 1914. Present business is probably large enough to keep the company going for less than four months at full capacity.

Officers say orders are being received in good volume. Attractive business has been booked for pumping machinery, cement engines and steam turbines and the electrical, mining and milling machinery portions of the plant also show improvement.

Business is now coming in at 70 per cent of capacity, while the plants at Milwaukee are not running more than 50 per cent of capacity.

A visit to the Allis-Chalmers plants does not reveal any great activity. Many of the machines are unused, and not more than 3000 men have been working. Normal capacity is 5000, and strained capacity 15,000 men.

Only the pattern department is especially busy, but that presages greater activity all through the plant as soon as pattern work is ready to take care of new business, which has been coming in. Officials say it will not be necessary to add any large number of men to take care of business now on hand.

COTTON SEED AND LINTERS TOTALS

WASHINGTON—During the 1914-15 season ending June 1, 5,779,965 tons of cotton seed were crushed in the various mills of the United States. From this amount 832,401 tons of linters were obtained, 885 mills being engaged in the work. In the number of tons crushed, Texas led the list, 233 mills running in that state, crushing 1,514,505 tons. Georgia was next in number of mills and volume of work, crushing 1,053,927 tons in 155 mills. Next in order came South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina and Oklahoma.

COTTON EXCHANGE REPORT IS MADE

NEW YORK—The New York Cotton Exchange's report for the year ending July 31 gives receipts at ports for the 1914-15 season, 10,802,388 bales; overland to northern mills and Canada, 1,201,544 bales; southern mill takings (less taken from ports) 3,132,353, making a total crop of 15,136,285 bales. Total southern mill taking, 3,271,114 bales, including 138,761 taken from ports.

RAILWAY STEEL SPRING'S RECORD

NEW YORK—Railway Steel Spring Company common made a new high record for this year Tuesday by selling at 41¼, compared with 39¼ at the close Monday, an advance of about 6 in two trading days. Activity in the equipment market, in both domestic and foreign business, is given as the reason. Railway Steel Spring common used to sell normally between 40 and 50.

From one to three months of preparation are required to take care of a large accretion of new orders. The company does not encourage rush delivery contracts, preferring a steady flow of business which can be taken care of in ordinary course of work.

Profits will show up better than last year, if present run of business continues. The uncertain factor is how long the orders will keep coming.

A director, when asked about the possibility of resuming dividends on the preferred this year, said: "One swallow does not make a summer." He added there is no immediate prospect of dividends. The company had poor business in its first quarter of 1915, he continued, but conditions improved materially in the second quarter; not sufficiently, however, to warrant any serious thoughts of dividends.

When bankers who have been watching Allis-Chalmers stock soar are confronted with the intimation that the company seems to have a large office expense in proportion to total earnings and that it had a manufacturing loss last year of \$277,000, they point to the fact that depreciation charges are adequate and that the concern has almost \$4,000,000 in good strong securities among its liquid assets.

The company is getting out big water pumping machinery for the city of Cleveland and for Chicago. Shipments of equipment for the du Pont Powder Company are heavy.

The Allis-Chalmers Company has not purchased any large amount of raw material; in fact, those supplies are kept low to avoid tying up capital.

UNITED STATES SHARE IN WORLD COTTON SUPPLY

NEW YORK—A long-range view of cotton shows how fast the United States has been traveling in the work of supplying the world with its main fiber staple. The official census figures just at hand show that the United States production advanced from 9,345,391 bales of 500 pounds in 1890 to 16,134,930 bales in 1914, an increase of 6,789,539 bales in annual production, or 72 per cent.

How does the case stand with regard to the spindleage of the United States and of the world as a whole? The facts explain some of the conditions which the country is encountering in the effort to carry another crop produced in excess of what the world under existing circumstances can expect to require.

It appears that 15 years ago the world had at work 105,681,000 spindles. These are the figures of 1900 and represent the spindleage which worked on the growth of cotton fiber of 1899. By 1914 the operating spindles in all countries had risen to 146,397,000, a gain of 40,716,000 spindles in 15 years, or an average of 2,714,440 spindles a year. Below are the comparisons, including the figures of the United States:

	500-lb. bales	U. S. spindles	World's spindles
1914	16,134,930	31,229,592	146,397,000
1890	9,345,391	24,529,000	105,681,000
Inc. No.	6,789,539	6,700,592	40,716,000
Inc. %	72	27.3	38.5

In this time the consuming capacity of the United States increased 27.3 per cent. That was not only slower than the world's increase in capacity to absorb raw cotton, but it was only 38 per cent of the rate at which the cotton supply of the United States advanced.

It is clear from these figures that the tendency of the production of cotton in this country is to run ahead of the rate of consumption both at home and abroad. Cotton production has gained twice as fast as the increase in world's spindleage, and not far from three times as fast as this country's gains in spinning capacity.

Of course, it may be urged that 1899 and 1914 were respectively very low and very high years of production. But the expansion is there, and the consuming agencies have not been able to keep up with the supplying powers in the long run. Hence the recurrent days of reckoning of the industry of raw cotton production, as seen in such crises as those of 1890-95 and 1914-15.

MASSACHUSETTS GAS HOLDERS AT RECORD NUMBER

The increased activity in Massachusetts Gas Companies stock recently, which has been accompanied by an advance in the price from 78 to 92, has resulted in swelling the list of stockholders until it has touched the 5000 mark for the first time in the history of the company. The number of preferred stockholders has also increased to a new high record of more than 7000, of which 656, or 9 per cent, are employees of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company, who own 3506 shares, awarded them under the profit-sharing plan.

The number of common stockholders has more than trebled in the past eight years, the average holding at the present time being less than 50 shares, compared with 175 in 1906.

The following table shows the increase in the number of common stockholders with average holdings:

	April 30, 1915	July 15, 1915
Common stockholders	4,990	4,797
Average holdings	50	82

On May 15 last, when preferred transfer books last closed, there were exactly 7092 preferred stockholders, compared with 6918 on corresponding day in 1914.

PRAIRIE OIL & GAS CO. VALUES

TULSA, Okla.—Advance of 10 cents a barrel in price of crude oil announced by Prairie Oil & Gas Company adds between \$4,200,000 and \$4,300,000 to value of that company's crude oil stocks. Company's stocks now amount to more than 42,000,000 barrels of Oklahoma crude. Present production of the Prairie is placed at about 35,000 barrels a day so that a 10-cent increase adds \$3500 a day to value of company's output.

Carter Oil Company, the Standard Oil of New Jersey subsidiary, which has only been operating in Oklahoma a few months, has accumulated a surplus of 10,000,000 barrels of crude, and now has a daily production of about 15,000 barrels. This company is tanking its own production and is also scouting the market for all the Oklahoma oil available.

RETAIL GROCERIES

Current retail grocery prices in Boston, which may vary according to locality, follow:

Flour—Bread flour, \$8.75 and \$9.50 bbl. \$1.50 bag; pastry, \$7.75 bbl. \$1 bag. Butter—Print, 36c lb; tub, 33c@35c. Eggs—Fancy brown, 42c doz; fresh laid Maine and New Hampshire, 37c doz; fresh western first, 27c@30c. Sugar—Granulated, 6½c per single lb, 6.05c per lb in 100-lb bags. Beans—Medium pea, 14c qt, \$1.10 pk; California, 14c qt, \$1.10 pk; yellow eyes, 14c qt, \$1.10 pk; red kidney, 15c qt, \$1.15 pk. Potatoes—New, 4c qt, 20c pk; Maine, 15c pk, 55c bu, \$1.40 per 2-bu bag; selected, 30c pk, \$1.10 bu. Oranges—California navel, 45c@55c doz; Florida, 35c@50c.

PARIS BOURSE TONE STEADIER PARIS—A steadier tone prevailed on the bourse today.

POSITION OF WAR STOCKS IN THE LOANING SITUATION

Banks Find No Occasion to Call Loans Made on This Class of Security—This Sort of Collateral Figures to Remarkably Small Degree in Accommodations

NEW YORK—Inquiry among local banks and trust companies regarding their attitude toward so-called war stocks reveals two facts with particular emphasis. One is that banks are not calling loans where these securities figure in the collateral—they have no occasion to. The other is that these stocks are figuring in ordinary Wall street loans to a remarkably small degree.

Judging from activity of the market during recent weeks and extent to which the war issues have been receiving attention, it was expected that such a canvass would have revealed a well-threshed policy among lending institutions relative to loans on these securities. Much has been said on inflated values, as they affect not only particular stocks, but the whole stock market position. It is surprising to find how little bankers are affected by this feature.

The reason is the war stocks are by no means represented in loan envelopes to the extent that would seem natural from day-to-day trading, and the wide popularity they have received. Two theories are advanced to account for this. Taking the small traders, there appears to have been considerable out-and-out buying on their part. The speculative boom in this department has attracted outsiders from far and near to enter the market, but, either on their own judgment or on advice of their brokers, they have for the most part recognized the precariousness of the market and have gone no deeper than what they could buy outright. This applies more particularly to lower-priced stocks.

Buying from this source has after all been a small factor in the phenomenal rise of war stocks. There is a resourceful and powerful element that has unquestionably been accumulating these issues. Some are said to have special financial backing, and what the terms of such arrangements are it is impossible to say. But bankers are of opinion that many of the large speculators are not applying for loans on these war stocks but are raising funds wherewith to buy them by obtaining loans on other first-class investments.

The president of a bank which has a large clientele among stock exchange houses made the astonishing statement that he did not believe there were 700 shares of war stock as collateral in his Wall street loans. It was his opinion that what buying was taking place in these securities was being done by those who were securing loans on securities already in their strong boxes. He said this was due to the liquidated condition of the "street" and for that reason there was no apprehension as to technical position of the market.

All this does not mean that the war stocks are enjoying the same privileges as other industrials, about which there is no question. Banks are discriminating against securities now influenced by reported war orders that have undergone sensational advances. The only question is as to the extent of the discrimination.

There are two classes of loans which generally figure in Wall street dealings, "mixed" or "all industrials." The mixed loans generally consist of 65 per cent railroad and 35 per cent industrial. The all-industrial money commands a higher price. There is no hesitation in saying that banks at this time are not taking war stocks only in all-industrial loans, except under some exceptional arrangement, and then at their own price. The only matter of general interest is how far they figure in the mixed loans and at what price taken.

As a rule the stocks are being accepted, whenever they appear among collateral, at more than the usual margin of 20 per cent. This varies largely on merits of each individual case. The usual procedure is to fix a price considerably below the market, which price has not been changed much during latter stages.

EARNINGS OF CAPE COD CANAL DECLARED TO BE INCREASING

Though no income account has as yet been published, earnings of the Cape Cod canal are officially declared to be constantly increasing. The recent reduction in toll rates has somewhat increased business. Operating expenses are now estimated at \$225,000 per annum, exclusive of interest charges. One large item of expense will be for operation of the drawbridges, as this burden will be on the canal company as the last comer in the field.

Every shoal is expected to be removed, so that the uniform depth of the canal will be 25 feet by next spring.

Special rates have been inaugurated for towage through the canal of yachts having no power except sails. It is understood arrangements have been completed whereby the New York Yacht Club will go through the canal east-bound next Friday. Commodore Baker is planning to rendezvous off the Beverly Yacht Club near Bird Island (Buzzards bay) the night before.

As pointed out last week, Attorney-General Attwell has rendered an opinion that the financing of a tidal lock or gates for the canal (if necessary, as it is believed by the management will never be the case), need not come within its \$12,000,000 capitalization limit. His

of the advance. For instance, American Can is being taken at about 20 to 30, Crucible at 25 to 30. Bethlehem Steel appears to have a wide range in the price at which it is accepted. Some banks are known to have taken it at 170, but more generally, at figures from par to 150. Following are some approximations of prices or margin at which a few more prominent war stocks are taken:

Allis-Chalmers: 50 per cent margin; Can carried at 20 to 30; Can preferred at market.

Crucible: Some banks will not consider this stock at all. Others require a heavy margin. In some cases it is being carried at 25 to 30.

Bethlehem Steel: 125 to 150. Some loans, made before the last rise, are carried below par and have not been changed since.

New York Air Brake: Not taken except with wide margin from good houses. General Motors is in the same category. General Electric: Considered a standard issue by some banks which will loan "straight" on it, 20 points below current market.

Studebaker: Some banks are carrying it at about 80.

Westinghouse: This stock is being carried at slightly above par. Considered a seasoned issue and not selling at inflated valuation. A few banks discriminate to some extent against Westinghouse, and will not loan above 80 on it.

Republic Steel: Small lots taken close to the market.

American Locomotive preferred: Considered first class and carried close to the market. Common not classed as dangerous.

In general banks have found it unnecessary to warn customers to replace war stocks as collateral, as the brokers have not offered a great amount. Most banks describe their loan lists as showing only a sprinkling of war stocks. They are scrutinizing with extreme care any stocks which have recently come into prominence in war order speculation. On these they would not consider a straight loan, nor would they include them in collateral for any but call loans, or possibly three-day notice loans. Even then the margin requirements are heavy and character of other collateral and the standing of the house offering the loan is taken into consideration. In fact, the class of collateral offered and the borrower's standing has more to do with the question of loaning on war stocks than anything else, and accounts for the wide difference in margins required.

On official of a prominent trust company says: "We have had no trouble in coping with the loan situation in its relation to the speculative movement in war stocks, for brokers have adopted an extremely conservative course and are either demanding ample margins or are refusing to carry stocks which have had wild fluctuations. This is the only course for a broker with judgment to take. If he started to offer too large an amount of these stocks, the banks would immediately begin to ask questions. But we have had to issue no warnings whatever. The proportion of war stocks on our books is small."

SOUTH PORTO RICO SUGAR CO. PROFITS

NEW YORK—For the year ended Sept. 30, 1915, South Porto Rico Sugar Company will show profits of \$2,100,000. This compares with \$711,247 in 1914. Executive committee has voted to set aside this year approximately \$1,500,000 for reserve depreciation, working capital, etc. After deducting this reserve, fixed charges and dividends of 8½ per cent on the preferred stock, there will remain a surplus of about \$600,000 compared with a deficit of \$52,040 after all dividends a year ago.

LOS ANGELES—An officer of Mexican Petroleum Company says of rumors of a dividend declaration: "There is little likelihood of any dividend being declared until there is peace in Mexico."

BUSINESS IN WEST REVIVES MODERATELY

Gain Is Slow but Belief Obtains That Trade Is Reaching Normal Proportions—Fundamental Conditions Improved

CHICAGO—General business throughout the West continues to make slow gains but it is the opinion of the best authorities that it is reviving and steadily reaching normal proportions. In many respects the situation is peculiar inasmuch as it is now being compared with the beginning of the war a year ago. That which has been accomplished during the past year is considered remarkable by those who have watched the general situation in a careful way. Fundamentally, conditions are better than they were. As compared with two years ago, the volume of business handled now begins to reflect a true situation and while there was more or less depression at that time, everything points to the fact that business will soon go ahead of that period. With the war still going on, there is more or less apprehension and conservatism which tend to delay a forward movement.

The only industrial betterment now is to be found in those concerns which are particularly interested in foreign war orders. Railroads are not the heavy buyers of iron and steel products as in former years, but it is believed that in the course of time they surely must enter the market. With the great mills of the country now crowded with so-called foreign business, it is known that if the railroads should begin their normal buying the mills would be taxed beyond their capacity.

There is an optimistic feeling in all business circles and predictions are freely made that the coming fall will show a great expansion in trade generally. There is an enormous amount of money lying idle and the financial condition in that respect could not be much better than at present, so that when the turn actually does come the railroads of the country will find themselves in much better position regarding earnings than they have been for more than a year.

All authorities speak of the great improvement in the iron and steel industry. This is giving other lines of trade somewhat of an impetus. It is true that activity at the mills has increased until many of the plants are crowding operations close to capacity, and should it develop that this was of permanent character it would be an exceedingly reassuring sign of a revival in general business.

Loading reports of western railroads continue to show a slight irregularity in movement of freight. In most instances, however, the traffic is holding pace with what it was a year ago and has approximated the volume of tonnage of two years ago.

In the dry goods trade it is found that business is holding up well, as compared with a year ago. Visiting buyers are numerous and men on the road are sending in orders of satisfactory volume for forward delivery, owing to the unseasonable summer, the retail trade has felt a considerable depression and stocks of seasonal goods have not moved as rapidly as expected. Collections are reported as satisfactory.

CHICAGO BANK CLEARINGS DECREASE

CHICAGO—Considering the industrial revival in this district, the initial movement of new grain, and the influence of war orders, bank clearings make poor comparisons. Last week's clearings decreased 9.9 per cent. July clearings decreased 4.2 per cent, compared with 4.2 per cent decrease in June and 5.1 per cent decrease for first seven months. The volume of July decrease was larger than for any previous month this year except January, March and April. May clearings showed the smallest percentage of decrease, 1.1 per cent. Combined clearings for seven months were \$9,116,287,029, compared with \$9,640,498,957 a year ago.

MEXICAN PETROLEUM CO.

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NEW YORK YACHT CLUB POSTPONES ASTOR CUP RACES

Conditions Such off Newport, R. I., That Contest Scheduled for Today Had to Be Postponed—Not to Visit Provincetown

NEWPORT, R. I.—Conditions were such this morning that the regatta committee of the New York Yacht club decided to postpone the Astor cup race scheduled to take place today off this port until tomorrow. This necessitates a change in the program of the cruise and Provincetown, which was to have been visited Friday, will not be touched, the yachts going through the Cape Cod canal and sailing straight across the bay to Marblehead.

The adverse conditions which prevented all but the staunchest yachts of the New York Yacht Club from making first run of the cruise from New London yesterday still obtained today, and delayed the start of the annual race.

In previous years the Astor cup race has usually been marked by soft airs which sometimes prevented the yachts finishing before dark. The race is one of the oldest in the annals of American yachting, dating back to 1882 when cups were first offered by Ogden Golet for a race for sloops and schooners of this port. Sixteen races were sailed for Golet cups, and after the non-yachting year of 1898 the event was continued by Col. J. J. Astor and subsequently by his son Vincent Astor. Sixteen races have been sailed for the Astor cups.

All of these events have been held off this port, and the day has generally been one of the leading events of the summer colony.

Some of the most famous yachts in the annals of the sport have won these events, starting with the victory of the old schooner Montauk and the famous centerboard sloop Fanny in 1882. The yachts which won these races and which subsequently successfully defended the America's cup were the sloops Puritan, Mayflower, Volunteer and Columbia. In 1903 the rules were changed and yachts of light construction were barred from the contest. This prevented the Reliance and the present cup yachts from competing. The Volunteer won the race three times as a sloop and once as a schooner. F. F. Brewster of New Haven has won more of these events than any other member of the club, capturing two with his first schooner Elmina and five with the second schooner of the same name.

The races are usually started from Brenton's Reef lightship which marks the eastern entrance to Narragansett bay, and is only a couple of miles off the ocean drive. Sometimes hundreds of people line the famous drive to watch the start, assembling again in the afternoon to see the finish and hear the whistling of the spectator fleet.

Prizes for these events have usually far exceeded their published value and one of the handsomest was that won by the Puritan in 1885 and now held in trust by the Eastern Yacht club.

The first day of the cruise, Tuesday, was devoted to a 40-mile racing run from New London to this port. It was sailed under most unfavorable conditions and many of the yachts did not arrive in this port until late in the evening. The race between the cup yachts Resolute and Vanitie ended in a very unsatisfactory manner as the Resolute was forced to withdraw and be towed to Bristol where she is being fixed up in an effort to get her into racing shape for the rest of the cruise. It is not expected that she will be able to take part in today's event which is to be for a special cup donated by Capt. Vincent Astor.

Facing a 25-knot wind, east by north, which kicked up a choppy sea, 22 of the racing yachts started from New London shortly before 10 o'clock in the morning. Of the lot that undertook the race for the navy challenge cups, the special prizes for the run, but eight finished the course.

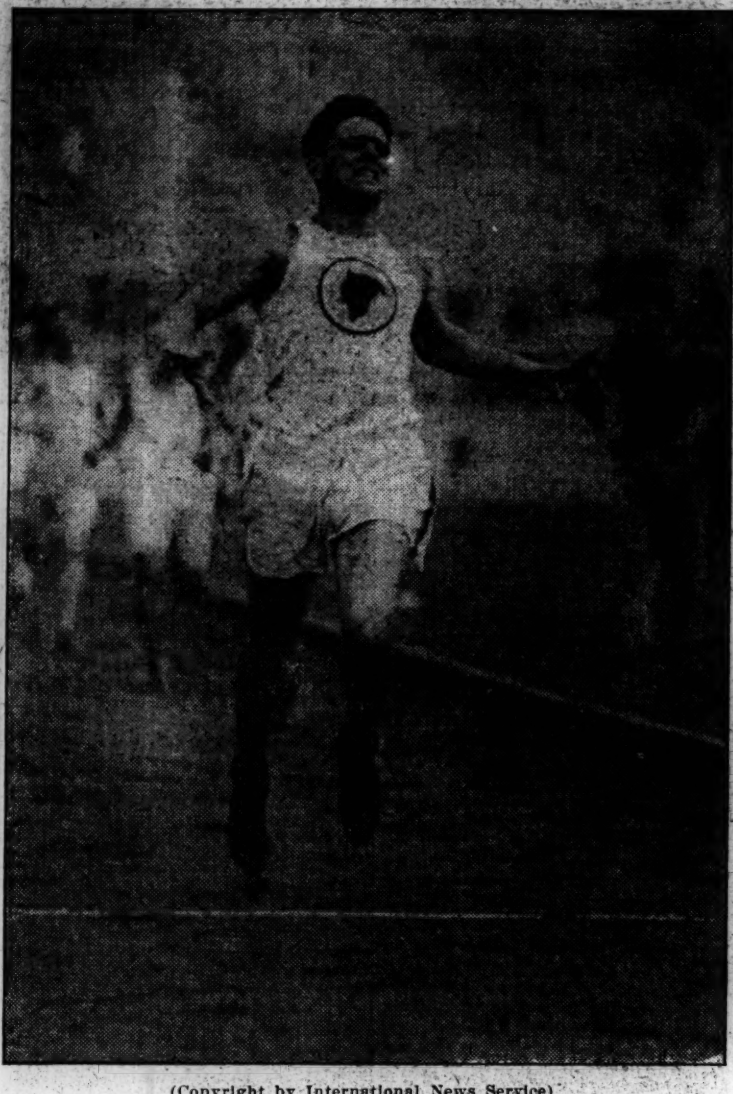
Nearly 150 craft were in the anchored fleet which heard the booming of the gun summoning the craft to the starting line. The first to appear were the two class H special sloops, the big 70-footers Resolute and Vanitie. Butler Duncan was at the helm of the Vanitie and C. F. Adams, 2d, held the tiller of the Resolute.

So fast did they move that they were almost out of sight when the Kalings, Queen Mab and Miladi, the former of which class M sloops competing, and the two latter sloops were sent away with the two class F boats, Amakola and Hopewell, following in a bunch at 9:50.

Five minutes later the "fifties" Samuri, Grayling, Spartan, Carolina, Barbara, Ventura and Iroquois II., got under way. After a lapse of another five minutes the schooner Irolika, Vagrant, the Kathrina, Radiant, Enchantress and Windward, and the little sound schooners Alicia and Rival got under way.

Most of the craft stood the run for the better part of an hour, when they found making headway too hard a matter, and half the fleet turned back to New London harbor to await better conditions later in the day.

Shortly before 11 o'clock the Resolute had to be taken in tow. The Vanitie continued her run over the 40-mile course, reaching the finishing line at



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J. E. Meredith, world's champion half-mile runner and record-holder who is to try for a new world's record at the 440-yard dash in the senior championship meet of the Amateur Athletic Union at San Francisco, Saturday.

3:17:27, having made the run in 5h. 36m. 47s.

In the race between the "Fifties," Samuri was the winner by 2m. 42s., over the Grayling, the Spartan finishing 15m. later. Both the Carolina and Barbara were towed into port, while the Iroquois turned back, therefore, Samuri won the race for the sloops in the navy challenge cup.

Enchantress was winner of the cup in the schooner class in 5h. 33m. 45s., corrected time, with Queen Mab second in 6h. 20m. 24s.

The Irolika's time was 6:21:50, and the Vagrant's 6:50:52. The Amakola was forced to drop, and the time of the others was not taken, they having withdrawn from the race.

The harbor here was crowded Tuesday evening with vessels which were creeping in all evening, as conditions became less severe in the late afternoon, which permitted many of those which had held to the shelter of New London harbor to make the run.

PICKUPS

Manager Bresnahan of the Chicago Nationals is in favor of abolishing the coaches.

The Red Sox strengthened their hold on first place yesterday by defeating Detroit while Chicago did not play.

One of the features of the recent Boston-Detroit series was the fact that Cobb did not succeed in stealing a base in the four games played.

The Indianapolis club of the American Association has secured an injunction against Pitcher Burk, who jumped to the Pittsburgh Federals.

Bush is playing a brilliant game for Detroit this summer. He covers a lot of territory around short and throws well to first base from almost any position.

Speaker and Hooper played important parts in yesterday's Red Sox victory. Each made catches which prevented Detroit scoring runs that would have won the game.

The Boston champions are now only one game behind second place and three and a half behind first. Yesterday's double victory over Pittsburgh helped Boston materially.

The securing of Barry from the Athletics has certainly strengthened the Red Sox greatly. The veteran is playing second base in fine style and has been doing some timely batting.

That the greatest number of hits does not always win a ball game was again proven in Boston yesterday when the Red Sox won from Detroit although they were outbatted two to one.

That was a great pitchers' battle between Ayres of Washington and Koob, the St. Louis recruit. Not a run was made off either pitcher, Washington getting its only score off Weiland, who had succeeded Koob in the eighth inning.

NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE
Lynn 4, Lewiston 2.
Worcester 4, Lawrence 3.
Portland 9, Lowell 5.
Portland 6, Lowell 1.
Manchester 2, Fitchburg 0.

VIRGINIA LEAGUE
Portsmouth 3, Petersburg 1.
Rocky Mount 4, Norfolk 3.
Suffolk 9, Newport News 5.

COLONIAL LEAGUE
Brooklyn 2, Pawtucket 0.
Raleigh 3, Charlotte 0.

NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE
Wilkes-Barre 7, Dinghamton 3.

ATHLETES WORK FOR GREAT MEET AT EXPOSITION

Nearly All Who Will Compete in Championships Now in San Francisco Practicing on Track

SAN FRANCISCO—Athletes who are to take part in the A. A. U. senior and junior outdoor track and field championship meets here Friday and Saturday plan to get in some hard practice work today on the track at the Panama-Pacific exposition grounds. Nearly all of the men who are to compete are now here, the New York Athletic Club contingent in charge of Coach B. J. Wefers arriving Tuesday.

The New York team consists of Platt Adams, jumper; Kenneth Curtis, vaulter; James Lincoln, javelin thrower and all around entry; Hugh Honohan, distance runner; Walter Bursch, hurdler, and Edward Madden, sprinter.

Coach Wefers had his men at the exposition track for light training Tuesday afternoon and renewed acquaintances with the Milrose A. A. stars of M. W. Sheppard. One squad that is attracting considerable attention is that of the Cincinnati municipal gymnasium, numbering eight men, who have done well in their workouts.

Coach O'Connor, trainer of N. S. Taber, the holder of the mile record, is undecided about starting Taber in both the half-mile and mile runs. Taber is anxious to run the half-mile, but as this event comes first on the program, he will in all probability be kept for the mile run.

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Boston	50	34	.595
Chicago	48	36	.571
Detroit	46	38	.549
Washington	40	44	.476
New York	45	47	.489
St. Louis	38	54	.410
Cleveland	32	60	.348
Philadelphia	32	62	.340

RESULTS YESTERDAY
Boston 2, Detroit 1.
Washington 1, St. Louis 0.
Chicago-New York, postponed.
Cleveland-Philadelphia, postponed.

GAMES TODAY
Cleveland at Boston, postponed.
St. Louis at New York, postponed.
Detroit at Philadelphia, postponed.
Chicago at Washington.

RED SOX WIN LAST GAME
The Boston Red Sox closed their series of four games with Detroit at Fenway park Tuesday afternoon with a 2 to 1 victory over Manager Jennings' men. The contest was a fine pitchers' battle between Shore and Coveleskie, and while the latter held Boston to four hits while his teammates were making eight off Shore, the Boston pitcher won by keeping the hits well scattered. Each team scored one run on errors, while the winning run was made by Boston on a single by Lewis, Gardner's out and a two-base hit by Barry. The score:

Innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 R.H.E.
Boston.....0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 2 3 1
Detroit.....1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 8 1
Batteries: Ayres and Henry; Koob, Weiland and Agnew; Umphres, Hildebrand and O'Loughlin. Time, 1h. 30m.

WASHINGTON 1, ST. LOUIS 0
Innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 R.H.E.
Washington.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
St. Louis.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Batteries: Ayres and Henry; Koob, Weiland and Agnew; Umphres, Hildebrand and O'Loughlin. Time, 1h. 30m.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
Salt Lake 9, San Francisco 1.
Vernon 4, Oakland 2.
Los Angeles 5, Portland 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE
New Orleans 3, Little Rock 6.
Atlanta 3, Nashville 0.

St. Louis 4, Atlanta 3.
Chattanooga 1, Mobile 0.
Memphis 6, Birmingham 5.

KERRIGAN MEETS DOYLE TODAY IN SPECIAL MATCH

Second Game of the Professional Contest Is Being Played Today at The Country Club Links

T. L. Kerrigan of the Dedham Polo and Country Club is playing P. J. Doyle of the Myopia Hunt Club today on the links of the Brookline Country Club at Clyde park in the second game of their special golf match. The first of the series of three was played on the Myopia links at Hamilton, and Kerrigan won by 1 up in 37 holes. Today 18 holes were played in the morning with a like number in the afternoon.

Conditions were very poor for good golf this morning and there was a gallery of only about 20 who followed the two players. From a competitive point of view the match was all that could be asked for as the biggest lead either player was able to secure over the other was 1 up, and at the end of the outward journey they were all up even as was the case at the end of the 18 holes. This left Kerrigan still 1 up for the match to date.

Some idea of the evenness of the playing may be had from the fact that all but six of the 18 holes were halved and giving Doyle an approximated 4 at the fifteenth hole where he lost his ball, the medal cards for the two players were 78, 41 going out and 37 coming home.

Kerrigan started out by winning the first hole when he took it in 5 to 6. Doyle shanked his third shot and then wound up by taking two putts. The next two holes were halved in 4s and 5s. Doyle evened the play at the fourth, due largely to a splendid approach shot. The fifth was halved in 5 and then Kerrigan won the sixth 4 to 5. Kerrigan saved the seventh for a half by making a splendid 10-ft. putt. Doyle won the eighth with 4 to 5, just barely missing a 10-ft. putt for a three. The ninth was halved in 6, neither player doing very well.

Coming home, the two players halved the tenth in 2, the eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth in 4s and the fourteenth in 5s. At the tenth a fine exhibition of putting was given by both players, Kerrigan getting one of 65 feet and Doyle one of 45. Both players played good all-around golf at the next two holes.

At the fifteenth Doyle was given an approximated 6, as he drove over the caddy house and did not find his ball. Kerrigan won this hole in 5, making him 1 up. The sixteenth was halved in 3s, and then Doyle again evened the match by taking the seventeenth in 4 to 5. Kerrigan was in the rough on his drive, flubbed his second and then took a couple of putts, while Doyle played steady golf. The home hole was halved in 5s. The match by holes:

Doyle.....6 4 5 5 5 5 3 4 6 4 1
Kerrigan.....5 4 5 4 5 5 3 5 5 5 7 8
Doyle, in.....2 4 4 4 5 5 3 4 5 3 7 7
Kerrigan, in.....2 4 4 4 5 5 3 5 3 7 7

PLAYERS START IN CONNECTICUT CHAMPIONSHIP

NORFOLK, Conn.—Under poor conditions the annual tennis tournament for the Connecticut championship began Tuesday on the courts of the Norfolk Country Club. Seventeen matches were disposed of, 12 in the first round and five in the second. Five of these, three in the first round and two in the second, went by default.

Heretofore the state tournament has been held at Litchfield, but this year it has been merged with the Bridgeport cup contest held annually at Norfolk, and the two tournaments running concurrently, the winner of the one will take the honors in the other. There are 41 entrants. One of the best matches was between Emerson Bigelow and James Mabon, both of New York, which the former won, 8-6, 9-11, 6-2.

YACHT COLUMBIA SOLD BY MORGAN

NEW YORK—The famous America's cup defender, Columbia, which successfully defended the trophy in 1899 and 1901, has been sold by J. P. Morgan to P. A. Gage. The terms of the sale are not known except to the parties interested in the purchase. The Columbia, when built, cost approximately \$125,000 and is the only yacht built for the purpose of defending the cup to win twice in international competition for the famous yachting trophy.

The Columbia was built in 1898 for a syndicate headed by the late J. P. Morgan. It was constructed of teak and mahogany and is 132 feet over all, 90 feet on the load water line, 24 feet beam and 20 feet draft. It was probably the most popular of the America's cup defenders and shared the particular affection of the general yachting public with the Puritan and Vigilant. Columbia's popularity was due largely to its double victory for the cup.

GENEVIEVE WINS EXPOSITION CUP
SAN FRANCISCO—The sloop Genevieve, owned by Commodore John Barne-son of the San Francisco Yacht Club, was declared winner of the Seattle to San Francisco race Tuesday, from the yawl Orton, owned and sailed by Capt. John Graham of the Seattle Yacht Club. A cup valued at \$200 was offered as a prize by the Panama-Pacific exposition.

WESTERN TENNIS POSTPONED
Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Western Bureau
CHICAGO—Conditions were unfavorable for lawn tennis playing here Tuesday and all the matches in the western championships scheduled to be played on the courts of the Onwentsia Club at Lake Forest were postponed.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
Cleveland 5, Milwaukee 3.
Cleveland 3, Milwaukee 2.
Minneapolis 9, Louisville 1.
Kansas City 7, Indianapolis.

WOLLASTON HAS ITS THIRD OPEN AMATEUR TOURNEY

F. V. Chaney of Brockton Is First Player to Get a Net Score of Better Than 70

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor)
MONTCLAIR, Mass.—Championship golf was expected to take place today when the Wollaston Golf Club held its third open amateur tournament on its links here. The tourney was open to members of clubs belonging to the Massachusetts Golf Association and invited guests. Post entries were accepted.

Among those who were expected to take part were Francis Quimet of Woodland, national amateur state champion; J. P. Guilford of Bellevue, former New Hampshire state champion; R. W. Brown of Meadowbrook, and Paul Tewksbury, L. J. Malone and R. M. Purves of the Woodland club.

None of the leading players had appeared up to noon, but it was stated that they had assured the management that they would surely start this afternoon. M. J. Brady, professional at the home course, had charge of the event and Massachusetts handicaps were used. There was a prize for the best net and the best gross.

W. E. Hagen of Rochester, national open champion in 1914 and Massachusetts open champion of 1915, was at the course. He and Brady are to start tonight on a trip through Maine playing exhibition matches over the leading courses in that state.

C. H. Kendall of Scarborough was the first player to turn in a card this morning and he had a gross of 84 which gave him a net of 73. Conditions were not of the best for record-breaking golf.

Up to 2 o'clock the best net card that had been turned in was that of F. V. Chaney of Brockton who had a 98, and it was expected that this would win the prize.

Player and club Out In T'd H'd Net
F. V. Chaney, Brockton.....45 43 88 20 68
H. S. Rosen, Haverley.....47 42 89 10 73
E. Z. B. Parke, Lexington.....47 37 85 12 73
C. H. Kendall, Scarborough.....49 39 88 11 73
G. F. Murphy, Wollaston.....47 46 93 7 72
B. F. Emerson, Haverley.....44 36 82 14 75
G. S. Pitcher, Brockton.....47 42 89 14 75
F. E. Tuohet, Framingham.....44 30 74 20 78
A. E. Tenney, Framingham.....43 30 73 14 77
G. S. Dunham, Brockton.....44 38 81 11 76
E. M. T. Woodland.....46 30 85 8 77
J. W. Wood, Jr., Crow.....48 47 95 10 79
W. Point.....48 47 95 10 79
N. Ross, Brockton.....50 48 98 16 82
H. B. Baker, Brockton.....50 47 97 15 82
E. Herman, Oakley.....48 47 95 13 82
F. T. Warner, Framingham.....53 49 102 18 84
J. W. Golden, Framingham.....48 58 106 20 86
P. C. Dempsey, Haverley.....49 50 99 12 80
M. J. Meagher, Lexington.....50 51 110 20 89
F. E. Murphy, Scarborough.....49 50 108 18 90
H. DeFord Jr., Com'w'n no card
J. B. Stuart, 2d, Brae-B'n no card
E. W. Wood, Brockton.....no card
W. G. Kendall, Wollaston no card

Fifty-eight players took part in a tournament held under the direction of the shoe trades of Boston and vicinity on the links Tuesday. The event was in charge of a committee consisting of F. F. Cutler, chairman; J. B. Brennan of Randolph and C. P. Waide of Brockton. The contest was a 56-hole medal play. The best gross was won by H. C. Keith with a score of 168. George Lovely and James Brophy were tied for the net prize, each having a total of 144. They will probably play off the tie some day this week.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Philadelphia	51	41	.556
Brocklyn	50	42	.548
Pittsburgh	49	43	.529
Chicago	47	45	.511
Pittsburgh	47	47	.500
New York	44	48	.479
St. Louis	46	51	.474
Cincinnati	40	53	.430

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CHAMPIONS WIN DOUBLE-HEADER

PITTSBURGH—The Boston champions won both games of their double-header with Pittsburgh Tuesday, the first by 5 to 4 and the second by 7 to 2. Ragan and Hughes pitched for the winners in the first game, the latter taking up the work in the eighth with a man on third and retiring the side without run. Kantelner, Cooper and McQuillan pitched for Pittsburgh. Tyler pitched for Boston in the second game and with the exception of the third inning was very effective. Harmon pitched four innings for Pittsburgh and was succeeded by Connelman, who held Boston runless during the rest of the game. The scores:

FIRST GAME
Innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 R.H.E.
Boston.....0 0 0 1 0 3 0 0 5 9 0
Pittsburgh.....0 0 0 2 0 1 1 0 4 12 3
Batteries: Ragan, Hughes and Gowdy; Cooper, Kantelner, McQuillan and Gibson and Murphy, Umphres, Quigley and Emslie. Time, 1h. 30m.

SECOND GAME
Innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 R.H.E.
Boston.....3 0 1 2 0 0 0 0 7 11 1
Pittsburgh.....0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 2 8 0
Batteries: Tyler and Whaling; Harmon, Connelman and Murphy and Schang. Time, 1h. 50m.

WESTERN TENNIS POSTPONED

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Western Bureau
CHICAGO—Conditions were unfavorable for lawn tennis playing here Tuesday and all the matches in the western championships scheduled to be played on the courts of the Onwentsia Club at Lake Forest were postponed.

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NILES TO MEET WILLIAMS TODAY IN FINAL ROUND

National Champion Defeats W. F. Johnson in the Semi-Final Round Match of the Longwood Challenge Bowl Singles

R. N. Williams, 2d, national champion, and N. W. Niles of Boston, meet on the courts of the Longwood Cricket Club this afternoon in the final round of the invitation singles and the winner will challenge M. E. McLoughlin of San Francisco, former national champion, for the famous Longwood bowl now held by McLoughlin. Williams is a decided favorite to win today's match.

Williams won his way to the final round by defeating W. F. Johnson of Philadelphia, a former intercollegiate champion, in the semi-final round match Tuesday afternoon. It took Williams four sets to win the match as he dropped the first one 6-2. After that there was no question about the national champion getting into the final round as he won the next three rather impressively.

As usual Williams got away to a slow start. In the first set he did not show any of his best tennis. Conditions were not favorable to Williams' kind of game and favored the cut-stroke style of play around which Johnson builds his game. Johnson had his strokes working finely in the opening set. The ball went over the net with a decided twist and took some very peculiar bounds.

The second set found Williams improving greatly in his play. He timed his strokes better and seemed to have them under better control. The ball went over the net with much speed. In the third set Williams played at his very best. He allowed his opponent only eight points in the six games played and kept his outs and nets down to three each.

The fourth set found Johnson playing good tennis, and while he won only one game, he forced four of them to deuce. Williams also played brilliantly, getting no less than 19 placements and two service aces as against seven outs and a like number of nets.

This afternoon, following the final match, Miss Molla Bjurstedt, national woman champion, paired with I. C. Wright of Boston, will meet Mrs. G. W. Wightman of Boston and H. C. Johnson, also of Boston, in a mixed doubles exhibition match. These two teams met in the women's national championship tournament at Germantown, Pa., last month and Mrs. Wightman and H. C. Johnson won. The Williams-Johnson match by points follows:

FIRST SET
Williams.....3 3 0 1 4 3 2-21-2
Johnson.....2 3 5 4 2 5 4-32-6
Nets Outs Places SA, DF
Williams.....14 9 10 3 3 0
Johnson.....4 6 0 0 0 0

SECOND SET
Williams.....4 3 6 7 4 4 5-35-6
Johnson.....2 5 4 5 1 1 3-21-1
Nets Outs Places SA, DF
Williams.....13 3 4 3 3 0 1
Johnson.....13 11 3 0 0 1

THIRD SET
Williams.....4 4 4 4 4 4-24-6
Johnson.....2 2 0 1 1 2 8-10
Nets Outs Places SA, DF
Williams.....3 3 5 0 0 0
Johnson.....12 7 2 0 0 0

FOURTH SET
Williams.....8 5 4 1 5 9 4-34-6
Johnson.....6 3 2 4 3 7 1-26-1
Nets Outs Places SA, DF
Williams.....10 6 10 0 0 1
Johnson.....10 6 10 0 0 1

LONGWOOD CHALLENGE CUP SINGLES
Semi-Final
R. N. Williams, 2d, Boston, defeated W. F. Johnson, Philadelphia, 2-6, 6-1, 6-0, 6-1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE PLAY ADVANCES

CRAWFORD, N. H.—The state lawn tennis singles and doubles championship tournament was advanced in both divisions Tuesday, with interesting matches in each. The doubles tourney was carried to the semi-finals, in which Kemp and V. E. Woodbridge defeated Charest and Hart, 6-0, 6-4, and R. M. Currier and Foster won from Abbott and J. Seabury, 6-1, 2-6, 6-2.

In the singles competition, the defeat of J. Seabury, the Boston player, by V. E. Woodbridge, was exciting, the score being 6-4, 6-8, 6-4. R. M. Currier of Boston went into the fourth round by defeating L. Leverich of Brookline, 6-2, 6-4, and Robert Tunis of Boston defeated C. B. Wilbur of that city, 6-2, 6-0. L. H. Martin of Lowell won from C. D. Taylor of Brooklyn, 6-0, 6-3, in the second round, and from R. H. White of Boston, 6-2, 2-6, 6-1, in the third.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE brings to the body the sunlight of Truth, which invigorates and purifies," wrote Mrs. Eddy on page 162 of Science and Health, and later on the same page: "The effect of this Science is to stir the human mind to a change of base, on which it may yield to the harmony of the divine Mind." Here is the reply to the challenge of what is called the unchristian ethic of our time, which is simply that the theory and practice of modern Christianity do not harmonize. One can scarcely catalogue this as a new indictment or complaint; but the present conflict of Christian nations seems to have accentuated it.

Now it is quite certain that the challenge can only be met in the way indicated by the Discoverer of Christian Science. She knew, as she learnt from the teachings of Christ Jesus, that there is only one way to deal with evil and that is to destroy it. No mere plaster of morality will change the mortal or carnal mind. It is possible, as the Master declared, to "make clean the outside of the cup and the platter," while at the same time the "inward part [the heart] is full of ravening and wickedness." Hence if humanity is to be redeemed from its woes, it can only be by the spiritualization of thought and the Christianization of every human activity. Every plan, scheme, theory or method for attaining this end, not planted on this spiritual basis, is valueless. That is what the great forerunner of Jesus, John the Baptist, meant when talking to those who laid more stress on their ancestry than in God for salvation. He said that "the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is cut down, and cast into the fire."

And Jesus in language that probed even deeper into human wickedness, reduced all material effort towards righteousness to a mere fantasy or idle dreaming. In one of his most familiar metaphors—the foolishness of trying to put new wine into old bottles, or of sewing a new piece of cloth into an old garment—he clearly indicated that his God-given mission was to demonstrate that it is impossible to think or act two opposite ways if the kingdom of heaven is to be found. Right and wrong, truth and error, good and evil, purity and sensuality, cannot be associated or commingled. In mortal thought and desire they are confused, but when thought comes to be spiritualized by the activity of divine Mind in the consciousness, then one may clearly see the line of demarcation, and act on the admonition of the Apostle Paul, when speaking of evil of every description: "Wherefore come out

from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing."

The man who gains an understanding of God through Christian Science and who seeks to be governed by divine Mind, has a tremendous advantage over his fellows in all matters that affect right living. He has a sure guide. Conscience, as we know, may mislead unless subject to divine control, but if a man is trying with all his might for the Mind to be in him which was also in Christ Jesus, then the desire for separation from all that is unholly and unrighteous, and the most effective method of making that desire practical, becomes the first consideration, until it expands into an intense longing to understand what the will of God is and to do it. "The Science of Christianity," said Mrs. Eddy, "comes with fan in hand to separate the chaff from the wheat." (Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, p. 466.) Then there follows a revelation—ever welcome to sincere seekers for power to vanquish error and for that spiritual-mindedness which means life and peace—of what is real and eternal as distinguished from that which is unreal and temporal.

Now this knowledge is just what every man needs, though not every man yet knows how to gain this priceless blessing. Can this knowledge be gained? Yes, it can, through Christian Science, which reveals man's relation to God. Herein is the purification of thought which follows the true understanding of God. Herein is the winning process inevitable upon this understanding, proving the nothingness of error, and unfolding the truth that sin and disease and death are illegitimate and abnormal, and that, therefore, despite what humanity has been taught to believe for centuries, these are not conditions through which it is necessary to pass. Separation in a spiritual sense, which

is the only sense metaphysically understood, when demonstrated aright, invariably works out for good. That which God has joined no one has the right, even if he had the power, to tear asunder. To assume and act as if life and intelligence and substance are separate from God is to blunder into a falsity which will lead into trouble—moral, social, domestic, physical—until it is corrected. The same disaster will follow the belief that there is any power apart from God, or that evil can be predicated of the Divine Being, or that the loving Father is responsible for sick humanity. You can, by spiritually understanding Christian Science, separate truth from error, but not truth from Truth (God), and it is just in the degree that you do this that you gain that normal habit of understanding God, Truth, that will save from a thousand snares.

Now the better Christian a man is the better citizen he is. He knows that to withdraw himself "from the world" is not to refuse to participate in those activities which are necessary for mankind's legitimate welfare, but to decline to condone or recognize or associate with wrong-doing. He knows that God leads "in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment," and that therefore he has an unerring mentor right at his hand. He is acknowledging, as the basis of his life's work, the supremacy of Spirit, good. That is how he will meet the challenge before referred to. He will be a loyal Christian, keeping before him the perfect concept of God and man and the omnipresence of divine Love, and maintaining such a sacred watch on the portals of his thought, that alien intruders, such as hate and resentment, lust and discontent, doubt and fear, and the whole brood of evil's progeny, will not only be barred out, but will eventually cease to trouble him.

Old English Gardens

The subject of gardens is one that never fails to enchant the lover of outdoors, and Mr. Carew Hazlitt musters such a charming and out-of-the-way bundle of facts about the gardens of England, centuries ago, that we quote the following from his "Gleanings in Old Garden Literature":

"In Alfric's tenth-century vocabulary, under the Names of Trees, we have various kinds of oak, two sorts of hazel, the nut, the beech, the laurel, the apple (probably a crab), the pear, the medlar, the pine, the yew, the plum, the fig, the palm, the fir, the elm, the broom, the maple, the poplar, the heath, and many others. The list is extremely curious, and from the absence of any attempt at classification we may be entitled to form some idea of the want of any settled principles for laying out shrubberies, plantations, and gardens. It is much the same in the passage where Johannes de Garlandia is communicating to us what grew in his own grounds; he adds, by the way, the vines, the chestnut and others. The plum mentioned above was apparently not the sloe, as the latter also occurs lower down in the catalogue; the palm was, of course, the common plant which is popularly so christened, and does duty for the real kind; and the pear, like the plum, must have been at this time very imperfectly cultivated here. It may be added that in the two eleventh-century vocabularies there are other plants and herbs, such as mint, white clover, fern, foxglove, two or three sorts of thistle, and mugwort, and among trees box and ash. But as regards many of the names the compiler seems not unfrequently to have had confused and erroneous notions of the Saxon equivalents for the Latin denominations. The virtues of mint were understood very early; it is said that in the time of Edward I. it was in vogue as a condiment, much in the same way that it is now, under the name of aigre-douce.

"The anonymous vocabulary of the

succeeding century adds sothern-wood, the rose, the peony, linseed gorse, the nettle, the knee-holly, and many others, sufficient to show that our Saxon ancestors were abundantly supplied in, or not much later than, the age of Alfred with the means of forming gardens and ornamental enclosures.

"We may also judge that at this distant time our moors and commons were already clothed with that exquisite and brilliant gorse which is yet so luxuriant among us, but, singularly enough, unknown in climates similar to our own. What accident or agency brought it hither? What prevented it from making other northerly regions sharers with ourselves in its unique nature and beauty?"

"The story of the great Swedish naturalist, when he visited England and beheld the bush for the first time, is too familiar for repetition.

"Even in the list of trees which we find in the fourteenth century treatise of Walter de Bibbesworth the various kinds are mingled together without effort to discriminate; the apple, pear, cherry, ash, broom, plum, and hawthorn occur in consecutive order; and as they are connected, so probably they grew in the gardens of our forefathers.

"Among the flora of the fifteenth century occur the lily, the water-lily (of two varieties), the cowslip, the poppy, the pimpernel, the violet, the primrose, the wild thyme of Shakespeare, the columbine, and many more—some disguised by obscure and obsolete designations.

"In Worlidge's work the tulip engrosses a section. He places it at the head of the bulbs, and says that there was then (1677) so great a variety that they were not to be enumerated. 'Nor is it,' he continues, 'all the words I can invent can convince you of the beauty of these glories of Nature, but must refer you to the choice your self or friend for you can make out of that Magazine of varieties that are collected for the ingenious Florist.'"

"The example and encouragement of

men like Evelyn in his day, and Worlidge in his, contributed to the formation of a public taste, which in the succeeding generations received further expansion and refinement at the hands of the friends and contemporaries of Pope; and, later again, of those who directed these matters for George III. and his successors.

"Worlidge considered that the rose should be placed between the tulip and the gilly flower, and he preferred the yellow Provence rose. How the latter was obtained he thus explains—'It hath been obtained by budding a single yellow rose to the stock of a flourishing Frankfort rose, near the ground; when that single yellow is well grown in that branch, incut out the double yellow rose; then cut off all suckers and shoots from the first and second leaving only your last, which must be pruned very near leaving but few buds.'"

Israel's Poets

Old Israel's readers of the stars,
I love them best. Musing, they read
In members of the heavenly hearth
High truths were never learned below.
They asked not of the barren sands.
But upward from the humble tent
They took the stairway of the hills;
Upward they clomb, bold in their trust
To pluck the glory of the stars.

—John Vance Cheney.

NEW YORK'S FIRST PUBLIC LIBRARY

Writing of early New York from the literary point of view, Charles Henshaw says:

"The early days of the eighteenth century saw the fitting out of the first library to which the townsmen had general access—a library that in the next fifteen years was to change from the private property of the Reverend John Sharpe into the Corporation Library, and later be chartered as the Society Library, under which title it was to live to grow richer and richer in literary

treasures until it came to be called the oldest library in America in the days when the city had grown beyond any bounds then thought of. In the first days of its existence, the library occupied tiny quarters, quite large enough for all the books it contained, in a room in the City Hall. This was not in the old Stadt Huys of the Dutch by the waterside, for that was gone now, but in a pretentious building facing the 'broad street' that had been made by the filling up of the Heere Graft of old."

An Intimate Glimpse of Vincent D'Indy

"I consider that criticism is useless, I would even say that it is harmful." With these words of Vincent D'Indy, Romaine Rolland begins his sketch of the French musician, whom he further cites as follows: "Criticism generally means the opinion some man or other holds about another person's work. How can that opinion help forward the growth of art? It is interesting to know the ideas, even the mistaken ideas, of geniuses and men of great talent, such as Goethe, Schumann, Wagner, Saint-Saëns and Michelé, when they wish to indulge in criticism; but it is of no interest at all to know whether Mr. So-and-so likes, or does not like, such-and-such dramatic or musical work."

Remarkable that after such a dictum "one imagines that a critic ought to feel some embarrassment in writing about M. Vincent D'Indy," M. Rolland finds

a small number of men whose thoughts are interesting even when they are mistaken. It would be a pity indeed not to know M. D'Indy's thoughts for they let us catch a glimpse, not only of the ideas of an eminent artist, but of certain surprising characteristics of the thought of our time. M. D'Indy has closely studied the history of his art; but the chief interest of his writings lies rather in their unconscious expression of the spirit of modern art than in what they tell us about the past.

"M. D'Indy is not a man hedged in by the boundaries of his art; his mind is open and well fertilized. Musicians nowadays are no longer entirely absorbed in their notes, but let their minds go out to other interests. And it is not one of the least interesting phenomena of French music today that it gives us these learned and thoughtful composers, who

A Caravaning Episode

In his amusing little sketch entitled "Bealby," H. G. Wells extols the charm of the gypsy caravan. He says:

"Every year the call of the road, the Borrowian glamour, draws away a certain small number of the imaginative from the grosser comforts of a complex civilization, takes them out into tents and caravans and intimate communion with nature, and, incidentally, with various ingenious appliances designed to meet the needs of cooking in a breeze. It is an adventure to which high spirits and great expectations must be brought. 'The heart of the joy of it lies in its perfect detachment. There you are in the morning sunlight under the trees that overhang the road, going whither you will. Everything you need you have. Your van creeps along at your side. You are outside inns, outside houses, a home, a community, an imperium in imperio. At any moment you may draw out of the traffic upon the wayside grass and say, 'Here—until the owner catches us—is home.' At any time—subject to the complaisance of William and your being able to find him—you may inspan and go onward. The

world is all before you. You taste the complete yet leisurely insouciance of the snail."

"It was a pleasant little island of green they chose for their midway pitch, a little patch of emerald turf amidst the purple, a patch already doomed to removal, as a bare oblong and a pile of rolled up turfs witnessed. This pile and a little bank of heather and bramble promised shelter from the breeze, and down the hill a hundred yards away were a little spring and a built-up pool. This spot lay perhaps fifty yards away from the high road and one reached it along a rutty track which had been made by the turf cutters. And overhead was the glorious sky of an English summer, with great clouds like snail, white-sailed ships, the Constable sky."

Later in the story the deserted caravan is unintentionally loosed from its mooring at the top of a steep grassy slope. "It plunged like a horse with a dog at its heels, it lurched sideways, and then with an air of quiet deliberation started down the grass slope to the road and Winthorpe Subtury."

"Professor Bowles sped in pursuit

like the wind, and Mrs. Bowles after a gasping moment set off after her lord, her face round and resolute. Mr. Gedg followed at a more dignified pace, offering, we are told, the only sound piece of advice heard on the occasion. "Hue! Stop it!" cried Mr. Gedg, "for all the world like his great prototype at the Balkan conference. And then like a large languid pair of scissors he began to run."

"The caravan remained the center of interest. Without either indecent haste or any complete pause it pursued its way down the road towards the tranquil village below. Except for the rumbling of its wheels and an occasional concussion it made very little sound, once or twice there was a faint sound of breaking crockery from its interior."

"There was an effect of discovered personality about the thing. This vehicle, which had hitherto been content to play a background part, a yellow patch amidst the scenery, was now revealing an individuality. It was purposeful and touched with a hint of playfulness, at once kindly and human; it had its thoughtful instants, its phases of quick decision, yet never once did it altogether lose a certain mellow dignity. There was nothing servile about it; never for a moment, for example, did it betray its blind obedience to gravitation. It was rather as if it and gravitation were going hand in hand. It came out into the road, butted into the bank, swept round, meditated for a full second, and then shafts foremost headed downhill, going quietly faster and faster and swaying from bank to bank. The shafts went before it like arms held out. It had a quality—as if it were a favorite elephant running to a beloved master from whom it had been over-long separated."

"And then the caravan careered on a dozen yards further, lost energy, and—the only really undignified thing in its whole career—stood on its head in a wide wet ditch. It did this with just the slightest lapse into emphasis. There! It was as if it gave a grunt . . . and then it became quite still."



(Specially drawn for The Christian Science Monitor)

Venice, California—A Bit of the Old World Reproduced in the New

When Los Angeles determined to have an ocean-side suburb as a place of popular amusement, no mean and hackneyed model, no Coney Island or Nantasket, not even an Ostend, would satisfy her. She dreamed of making the crude American notion of a seaside resort "suffer a sea change" into something not only rich, and strange to the west, but somehow reminiscent of earth's one undisputed pearl. Los Angeles should have her Venice, and Abbott Kinney, its deviser, was not far behind the Shakespearean wonder-worker in the powers at his command.

On low-lying shores 14 miles from the city, where long arms of the Pacific

reach inland, the new Venice was built, by behest of one who was a familiar of the mighty California forests, but heard the voice of the sea in the murmur of the pines. Mr. Kinney named his grand canal the Rialto, and the chief square St. Marks. Bridges spanned the water with some hint of the gracious arch and spring of those that knew the foot of Desdemona and of Dante, or Titian's gazing dream when sunset lifted the Queen of the Adriatic, even as it lifts the new Venice, into the realm of faery. Gondolas were brought over from their haunts of song and story, and to white facades were added warm color-tones which should evoke a passing memory for those who know the beauty that was, and is, Venice.

Begun in 1904, the new town is now a substantial suburb where American families live in delightful homes and little children go to American schools; where gardens bloom all the year, and highways and concrete walks belie the name; yet still it strives to be Venice in the fantasy of flower-enamelled banks where gondolas dip and sway over the tide waters. Skill and forbearance still seek to make the lagoons not all unworthy

of the "white swan of cities," slumbering in her nest of reeds.

All the world has sung of Venice—poets, painters, musicians, historians, and folk who never sang before, from the days when "Venice and her resplendent beauties" delighted wise Thomas Coryate, to this present, when the dean of American realists waxes almost lyrical over spring in Venice. Perhaps, among all the praises of Venice, what Howells wrote of the Venetian spring alone may fairly be claimed by Venice, California. He says:

"The way in which the spring made itself felt upon the lagoon was full of curious delight. It was not so early in the season that we should know the spring by the first raw warmth in the air, and there was as yet no assurance of her presence in the growth—later so luxuriant—of the coarse grasses of the shallows. But somehow the spring was there. . . . There were fewer gulls than usual, and those we saw sailed far overhead, debating departure. There was deeper languor in the laziness of the soldiers of finance, as they lounged and slept upon their floating custom-houses in every channel of the lagoons; and the hollow voices of the boatmen, yelling to each other as their wont is,

had an uncommon tendency to diffuse themselves in echo. Over all, the heavens had put on their summer blue, in promise of that delicious weather, which in the lagoons lasts half the year, and which makes every other climate seem niggard of sunshine and azure skies."

Daybreak in Maryland

And first a whip-poor-will with strident sound
Bade farewell to the night, then a cock crow;
Across the dusky fields the wet winds blew
The answering clarions back; and a bound
Yapped off to woodward and evoked a round
Of kindred clamors; meanwhile the haze grew
Luminous with gold that sifted through
Its veils. And to the east lay, loosely bound
In folds of fog, a saffron streak that found
Itself half grown at once and redly wrought
At edge . . . and all beyond
From the white lids of clouds shone the blue eyes
Of the awakening, happy morning skies.
—Marguerite Easter.

THE ALPINE HORN

Writing of the beauties and sublimities of Switzerland, John Murray gave this description of the Alpine horn as he heard it used:—"There was a wild romance in its notes, which was characteristic in a very high degree of all around. This instrument is about eight feet long and its farther extremity rests on the ground. It is used among these mountains not merely for the herdsman's call, but as an invocation for the solemnities of religion. As soon as the sun has shed his last ray on the summit of the loftiest range, the Alpine shepherd from some elevated point, trumpets forth 'Praise God the Lord,' while the echoes in the caves of the hills, roused from their slumbers, repeat 'Praise God the Lord.' Distant

horns on lower plains now catch the watchword and distant mountains ring again with the solemn sound, 'Praise God the Lord,' and other echoes bounding from other rocks reply, 'God the Lord.' A solemn pause succeeds. . . . At the close of this evening sacrifice offered in the temple not made with hands, the Alpine horn sounds long, and loud, and shrill, 'good night,' repeated by other horns; while a thousand 'good nights' are reverberated around, and the curtain of heaven closes on the shepherds and their flocks."

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EDITORIALS

Mexico and the Americas

THE conference on Mexico's future, which is to open tomorrow at Washington, and in which the United States, five nations of South America and one of Central America are to be represented, has been called to discuss possible joint action to restore peace. The informality and secrecy of the meeting will, for a season, make authoritative explanation of its full meaning and its logical consequences out of the question. Nevertheless in the light of the Niagara Falls conference of 1914 it is not difficult to see the goal at which President Wilson is no doubt aiming, namely, coöperation of the republics to the south with the republic of the north to substitute law and order for factionalism and anarchy in a state to which they all owe neighborly counsel, and possibly forceful restraint.

Once the precedent was established of calling in the leading South American powers for the Niagara conference a basis for more extended Pan-American fraternity was established, and the executive who laid the foundation does not hesitate to build upon it. During the interval much has happened to bind the northern republic and the South and Central American states closer together and to develop an opinion favorable to such concerted action as the President may be urging. There are more statesmen on both continents who argue for an interdependent policy based on amity and joint interests, and who consequently will be likely to favor steps making that unity visible. Not content with speeches and editorials such as the one we quoted yesterday from La Nación of Buenos Aires, there will now, we believe, be a willingness to aid the rapprochement of the two Americas by a common task, nobly motivated and calling for solution on grounds of humanity, and also to meet the responsibilities that go with the creed of Pan-Americanism as it is to be taught and defended hereafter.

It is interesting to recall that Mexico, under the rule of Porfirio Diaz and when Elihu Root was secretary of state at Washington, entered into a compact with its Central American neighbors and the United States by which the law of moral responsibility of states for each other's stability and for elimination of lawlessness was acknowledged. If post-treaty practice did not redeem treaty promise, the fact of the ideal agreement and of the admitted justification for such a compact remains. Then Mexico seemed to be the strong state, a major figure in the understanding. Today it is the nation in need of aid, and to be saved from its own factions and their desolating feuds.

Supposedly it will meet the more readily any recommendations or rulings which a concert of the republics may formulate, because of its makeup. The voice will not be Anglo-Celtic in its intonations, but such as Spanish-Americans use, and henceforth more persuasive. The spokesmen will be of nations that can testify to the rise in civilization that comes when evolution supersedes revolution and democracy replaces oligarchy. But should a counsel from such American kinsmen have no weight in changing the Mexican revolutionists' policy, it at least will proclaim the fact that the southern republics have more faith than they used to have in the disinterestedness of the United States, and in its motives for pressing action at this time. A suspicion of the cupidity and duplicity of the United States in all its acts toward southern American countries, dominant of old, is not so pronounced as it used to be. Assent by Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala to a policy of intervention by the United States would be notice to the world that its project was not deemed by them as self-regarding, nor as a step toward annexation. Their actual coöperation with the United States in a task of policing Mexico while it set its feet on the rock of honest, efficient government, would be an epoch-marking chapter in the history of the Americas. Transatlantic nations also would have to reckon with its implications—statesmen with its military and investors with its economic purport.

Legal Patronage in England

IF confirmation were needed of the extensive patronage wielded by the legal profession in England it is to be found in the evidence of the Royal Commission which is inquiring into the legal departments of the state. Royal commissions are credited by the public with a power which they do not possess in fact, and nothing short of the force of public opinion puts into effect their recommendations. If, in many cases, they lead to no practical result and leave matters where they were originally, they sometimes bring to light anomalies, the full tendency of which the public would not realize otherwise; and, if they fail to do much for the public weal, they provide occupation and salaries for some estimable public servants who are already in receipt of comfortable emoluments.

The evidence given before the commissioners by the ex-lord chancellor, Lord Loreburn, of the manner of appointing to offices at present in the gift of the lord chancellor and the judges, is highly illuminating. In his belief the present system, although it produces satisfactory results in so far as the performance of the work is concerned, might be altered advantageously, and in this no doubt many will cordially agree. Whatever system may be adopted ultimately, and any change is highly problematical, it is obvious that it should be one which will have the confidence of the public, as well as promote content amongst the office holders.

The present plan of placing so much patronage in the hands of any one official is open to great abuses in the direction of nepotism; the opportunity for political pressure is too great not to be exploited by ambitious place-seekers, and that patronage in the legal departments has grown to an undesirable extent is common knowledge. It is due, in no small measure, to the apathy of the public

that a system has grown up which is actually sanctioned by statute in such a manner that the profession has been able so to hedge round its privileges and "protect" its interests that legislation will be required in order to bring about a change.

The likelihood of such legislation being carried into effect is remote whilst the voter remains so apathetic as to his welfare and continues to return to the House of Commons, in preponderating numbers, men whose interest it is to maintain an anomaly which is detrimental to efficiency and incompatible with democratic government. So far, democracy has failed conspicuously to deal satisfactorily with nepotism, and whilst the British public consents to the House of Commons remaining the playground of the legal profession, it cannot complain of the continuance of an outworn system; nor does it deserve to be rid of the incubus.

Report on City Manager Plan

WHETHER or not a report on the manager plan of administration for cities in the United States recently made public is entirely free from bias must be determined by the reader for himself when it is known that it comes from Richard S. Childs, secretary of the National Short Ballot Association and chairman of the National Municipal League's committee on commission form of government. It may be set down, at all events, as sympathetic. Until its statements shall have been successfully combated, however, we are inclined to think they will be very generally accepted at their face value. There are at present nineteen cities of the United States under the manager system; two others are to come under its operation before the end of the present year, three more in 1916 and one in 1917. None was under the manager system previous to January, 1913. The population of communities that employ managers runs from below 2000 to more than 116,000. Dayton, O., is the largest of these municipalities. More than half the places now in the system have populations of less than 10,000; a third of them have populations running below 5000. The salaries paid managers vary between \$1200 and \$12,500. The latter compensation is allowed by Dayton. Springfield, O., pays its manager \$6000. Aside from these, no community pays more than \$3000.

According to the report all the cities operating under the plan "seem to have increased service without correspondingly increased expense." An illustration of the economies which it is claimed the manager system has made possible is found in Manistee, Mich. Here the old government had authorized an expenditure of \$80,000 for a new trunk sewer, to replace one twenty-seven years old. The city manager cleaned out the old sewer at a cost of \$1200, when it was found to be adequate to all demands; and no new sewer was constructed. In another case a supply of shovels was ordered purchased; the city manager found that there were plenty of shovels in the possession of the municipality already, and the unnecessary expenditure was stopped. The expenses of operation were reduced in some cities. In Springfield, O., a floating debt of \$100,000 was wiped out in fourteen months. Greatest stress, however, is laid on improved service.

It is, and evidently for some time must remain, a question if commission government, pure and simple would not have accomplished all that is claimed for the city manager system on the score of efficiency and economy, and there must for the present, at least, be some doubt as to whether, through the pressure of an uplifted civic sentiment, many communities under the ordinary system of municipal government could not now make as good a showing as that brought forward in the Childs report. It seems too early to pronounce the city manager plan a success in general terms. It would seem to have met the needs of Dayton, Springfield and some other municipalities of considerable size, but the degree to which the method is adaptable to the requirements and sentiment of the great majority of American communities is yet to be determined. Its advocates and champions, meanwhile, cannot reasonably ask for a fairer trial than it is receiving.

Fruit Distribution in Canada

AMERICAN fruit competition in their home markets is a matter of very serious consequence to Canadian fruit producers. The Canadian fruit consumer may regard it at present with less solicitude, but in time the interests of both are seen to be practically identical. It will, perhaps, be a surprise to most American consumers that their apple growers are charged, or credited, with "dumping" fruit into Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Alberta "at prices that do not equal packing and shipping costs." If this is a correct statement the consumers within the Canadian prairie provinces are favored by American fruit interests away beyond consumers in a great majority of the northern states. Possibly the American fruit interests "dump" their surplus supply in the prairie provinces in order to be able to raise and maintain the fiction of scarcity, with incidental high prices, on the southern side of the line. The public is familiar with the fact that, in times of plentiful fruit supply in the United States, car shortage or some other means has been found to prevent the crop from being distributed among consumers at a low price. It is a common story that peaches and berries are often left to decay rather than that in their plentifulness they should disturb the trust price lists. It has not been so well known, we believe, that Canada is being used as a field for the disposal of the American fruit surplus.

Some figures given publicly recently show that American fruit interests even against a duty, are able to undersell Canadian producers in Canada. The British Columbia fruit growers, packers, shippers, wholesalers, retailers and consumers were all represented at a recent convention which passed a resolution asking the Dominion government to investigate the distribution of fruit in Canada. Ontario is equally interested in this matter. Neither is more deeply interested than states of the neighboring country. There is some talk of raising the duty on apples so as to insure Canadian growers against unfair,

or at least unequal, competition from the American side. But, in reality, the remedy lies in a more comprehensive understanding on both sides of the line as to what the relationship between the producer and the consumer should be. The middle interests at present control the situation, and control it, in cooperation with the railroads, with an iron hand. The distributing agencies should be released from a compact that enables produce monopolies of all kinds to maintain high prices regardless of the bountifulness of crops.

Tariffs and tariff walls will serve no good purpose. Neither should exist between the United States and Canada. With complete freedom of transportation and distribution in and between both nations neither barrier would have any excuse for existence. There is a market, and a good market somewhere, at fair prices, for everything produced in the United States and in Canada. It is a mere matter of getting the product properly distributed. There should be no surplus for "dumping" or for decay. There will be none when transportation systems are managed in the interest of all the people rather than to the advantage of a few.

Whereto the Junior High School

RECONSTRUCTION of curricula of the public schools to meet new demands of pupils and parents, and of educators with an innovating temperament, is leading to organization of so-called junior high schools. It is another case of the West pioneering the way and the East coming after, and as such it is taken quite as a matter of course, so common is the experience in the contemporary evolution of pedagogics as practiced in the United States. In so far as the junior high school is a sincere attempt to meet admitted defects of the traditional scheme by which, after eight years in the elementary school, the child was somewhat abruptly passed to a four-year high school course originally quite uniform in its type and methods, there is nothing but commendation for the plan. So large a proportion of the youth miss the high school stage of education that it does seem prudent, at least, to make the last grades of the elementary course as serviceable and as broadly conceived as possible. Whereas, for children who will pass into the high schools anyway, it may be advantageous if, through the changes which the junior high school brings to pass, the period of transition is rendered less perplexing.

Undoubtedly, under the conventional system, the step from the elementary grades to the high school grades is one that causes many young persons to stumble or fall by the wayside; and it accounts for the diminished size of the class as it passes from the freshman to the sophomore stage. The practical objection to the new plan is the facility it offers for that concentration on a specialty and a vocational choice which carries the elective system of education down to a point in the career of the child when he can hardly fail to be premature in his judgment and when it is regrettable that he should have standards of utility set up in his or her thought as a measure of value for any given course of study. We say the junior high school plan facilitates such a tendency, but it has not been so handled in many communities that have experimented with it. And it need not turn that way if rightly handled by school officials.

Business Men as Public Servants

WITH cabinets and kings calling men of affairs into council, with the heads of great industrial enterprises waiting anxiously on these councils, and the whole world waiting on the movements of financiers; with these same men of affairs deciding what shall or shall not be done in civic and in many cases even in church organizations, in the schools, in the art museums, in the charities and corrections, it seems clear that the business man today has come to be a high type of rounded humanity.

For the time is past when one could say "a mere business man." The business man has not only his own university degrees, his high culture perhaps in several of the fine arts, but the very men who serve him are often college men, trained to close intellectual labor. He no longer scorns the lore of the scholar or the special knowledge of the savants. Nothing human is alien to him. The whole sum of human thought, the experience of the past, the purpose and hope of today, must by him be taken into account. He may not always be conscious that his own ends must serve mankind if they are to have more than temporary success. Yet in so far as the business man now is preëminently a gentleman and a scholar he is coming more and more to understand this, and to see himself as a public servant, which may be and often is only another name for a leader of the people.

These things are true not only of men that influence the world at large, whose word may set armies in motion, it is true in the smallest community, where the money of the "rich man of the place" is not what gives him his influence; since the richest man is not always the leader. While the trained abilities, the practical knowledge, of the successful man are commonly drawn upon by his neighbors, it is especially the business man's schooling in self-denial that makes him a leader. He knows that he may not have his own willful way. He must consider many men and things, and must shape his course in some measure accordingly. He must also know men. If the proper study of mankind is man, then the business man has graduated in this high school "cum laude" many times over; for perhaps no one else knows his fellows as does he. This constant consideration of others results, normally, in consideration for them. For just as certainly as to love men is a liberal education, so to know them is to love them, to learn compassion and fellow feeling. The rounded humanity which the daily give and take in contacts with others develops in the man of affairs is serving the world in far greater ways than in huge benefices more or less selfishly bestowed.

It is not usual to award the wild olive to the brusque and simple gentleman behind the big office desk, his finger on the bell button, his ear at the telephone, his eye on the stock ticker. Athletes, poets, musicians, soldiers, statesmen, have largely monopolized these leafy

honors. The village or city banker or merchant commonly goes his way unhampered by wreaths, undistracted by applause. But he is today not only the backbone of many a community, as of yore, but its head, and even its heart; for the wisest are the kindest.

Notes and Comments

It is only a matter of course, nowadays, to think of the automobile as a factor in bringing to pass all sorts of changes and new conditions with respect to improved roadways and the annihilation of time and distance. We do not remember to have seen specially noted, however, the tremendous extent to which the automobile has been pressed into service for all kinds of inspections that involve the covering of a broad-reaching neighborhood or district within a short space of time. Singly or in companies, men now, by means of the automobile, may dash from building to building within the mazes of a crowded city, or cover a dozen villages and hamlets in an afternoon's tour of country roadways, gathering information, viewing conditions, testing work performed, noting adherence to agreed-upon instructions, all within a period of time allowing such swift comparison and consultation with reference to views and judgments as would have been formerly outside the range of human possibilities. There is much about such performances that is enjoyable. But it cannot be denied that the improved method does, as it should, open the way to greatly improved results.

The civilization of China, pure and advanced as it is, has long shown stains that have gradually spread through a false sense of national pride. One of these was connected with the practice of foot-binding, by which the wealthy sought to prove the freedom of their wives from toil. No one, perhaps, has done more to put an end to this than Mrs. Archibald Little, who for many years resided at Chungking in eastern Szechuen. That her influence has spread westward is indicated by reports from time to time of the marked advance in the freedom and education of the women of the central and western parts of that important province.

It is difficult, perhaps it would be as well to say impossible, wholly to do away with a reasonably practical idea in these United States until it shall at least have been tested on its merits. There is, for instance, the trackless trolley idea. It has been talked of for several years and some experiments have been made with the device at home and abroad. But Fairhaven, Mass., is about to make the first attempt in the East of the United States to put it into practical, which is to say, commercial, operation. The selectmen of the town have granted a franchise to the Massachusetts highway service of Boston to operate on this system, and within two weeks, it is announced, the first car is to go into commission. There are to be expansions proportionate to the success of the enterprise. A line near Los Angeles, Cal., is the only one in operation in the United States, but Munich, Germany, had a trackless trolley line several years ago. The Fairhaven enterprise has been, we take it, maturely considered. If it works out satisfactorily it will open almost boundless possibilities in urban and interurban transportation.

ENCOURAGED by the success of Mississippi river clam farmers in raising pearls through the cultivation of freshwater clams, we are told, a Chinese possessed of large ideas on the subject is going into the business of raising pearls through the cultivation of salt-water clams in the lagoons around Playa del Rey, Cal. In his native land the development of pearls in oysters has been carried on with more or less success for centuries. Some years ago an American traveler applied the same process to freshwater clams, producing, it is said, pearls of various colors and of high quality. There is something very attractive in the pearl-farming idea. It ought, however, to be mentioned that the pearl fishers of the upper Mississippi earn all the pearls they find.

THERE would seem to be some better way of dealing with the sloop-of-war Portsmouth than relegating her to the junk heap and passing her title to a man who values her only for the salvage he will win. It was on her that United States officials, in 1846, sailed into San Francisco bay, and landing took possession of the adjacent territory in the name of the United States. California should, it would seem, have claimed the craft for its own, anchored her in one of its ports, made her accessible to children and youth, and kept her intact and above seas for many a day. The California poets might have imitated Oliver Wendell Holmes, who saved the Constitution.

PHILADELPHIANS with civic sense and pride who have aided in compassing many reforms under the present administration are solicitous about the next chapter. They intimate that national partisan issues are again beclouding what is a strictly urban issue of loyalty, and that persons profoundly interested a few months ago in saving the city by revivalism now show heartless indifference to a possible return of boss rule. To these men the Ledger does not hesitate to apply strong terms of condemnation for alleged treason to local interests. There is this consoling fact to be remembered at a time like this, namely, that gains once made are not wholly lost. The citizens' courage, unselfishness, largeness of vision may wane somewhat; but there are always substantial changes made during a reform administration which are so incontestably worth while that no administration that is swept into power by victory of timidity and cupidity dares touch them.

THERE is one admirable feature of the crusade against squatters which the conservation department of the New York forestry board is carrying on. It is aimed at and is to be enforced against all offenders, irrespective of social status, depth of purse or political influence. Adherence to this fine theory will take the edge off any losses incurred, for men admire fair play in use of power, even though subjected to it. The discriminations of law enforcement make rebels and anarchists oftener than law itself.